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MEANINGFUL MEASURES

BREAKING BARRIERS: International student finds second home in Waveland

BY CASSANDRA FAVRE
STAFF WRITER

Editor's Note: Meaningful Measures is the Sea Coast Echo's monthly feature highlighting inspirational people in Hancock County. The individuals featured are nominated by members of the community.

"I think he's going to make a difference in the world," Cynthia Mahner of Waveland said when she nominated Ka'Lon Duncanson for Meaningful Measures.

"He's a really good guy and spreads sunshine wherever he goes," she said.

BAHAMAS BORN

Ka'Lon is from Freeport, Grand Bahama Island in the Bahamas.

His paternal grandfather Mac Duncanson, has been his father figure for his entire life, Ka'Lon said.



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Ka'Lon Duncanson from the Bahamas recently graduated Cum Laude from the University of Southern Mississippi.

His mom, Kendra Shakespeare, raised her children as a single mother, he said.

Ka'Lon has a sister named Khyla Shake-

speare.

He said growing up in a single-parent household was challenging.

"My mom spent a lot of time working," he

said. "She worked at a local shipyard on the island and sometimes she would be gone working 12-hour, sometimes 14-hour shifts, six days out of the week, from time to time. When she wasn't doing that, she was either braiding hair on the side to make extra money or working as an event coordinator/decorator. She spent a lot of time working just to try and provide for us."

During his younger teenage years, Ka'Lon said, he spent some of his time living with two different family members. In his late teens, he moved back home with his mother, sister, and grandmother.

His grandfather was a reverend on the islands.

"I spent a lot of time with him," he said. "I would go there almost every day after school. He has a little convenience store that he

owned and we would sit down and talk about some of his time and years growing up and just talking about life in general and him giving me advice on what being a man is all about. He spent many, many days just talking to me about the importance of getting a good education and when you have education, nobody can take that away from you. A lot of his wisdom he imparted into me, I was able to apply to my every day life when I got to America."

Ka'Lon attended St. George's High School, where he participated in several student organizations.

"I was also Head Boy," he said. "The highest student leadership role at the local

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RHONDA AIME-GAMBLE IS THE 2023 RECIPIENT OF HANCOCK COUNTY YOUTH COURT'S CHRISTMAS CHARITY CUP

BY CASSANDRA FAVRE
STAFF WRITER

Hancock County Judge Trent Favre on Wednesday presented the 2023 Hancock County Youth Court Christmas Charity Cup to Rhonda Aime-Gamble.

The Christmas Charity Cup was established in 2020 to recognize community members who "partner with families and children in different ways to help enrich and better their lives," Favre said.

"Our recipient this year is a remarkable person," Favre said. "I was thinking, through the years, that I've been here how many times that someone's come to me and said 'did you know that we have this at the jail?' or 'did you know that we have this service for kids and families?' and they'll say 'did you know that Rhonda Gamble helps with this or does this?'"

Favre said that Gamble doesn't perform community services for



PHOTO BY CASSANDRA FAVRE | SEA COAST ECHO
From left, Hancock County Judge Trent Favre and Rhonda Aime-Gamble.

"credit."

"So much of what she does is just done on the sly," he said. "Just help-

ing where she can, not

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THIS YEAR'S NYE OYSTER DROP SET TO BE 'BIGGER AND BETTER THAN EVER'



ECHO FILE PHOTO
The oyster drops at last year's New Year's Eve Celebration in Old Town Bay St. Louis.

BY GEOFF BELCHER
GENERAL MANGER

The fourth annual New Year's Eve Oyster Drop is scheduled this Sunday in Old Town Bay St. Louis, and event founder Jim MacPhaille said this year's celebration is set to be "bigger and better than ever."

"We've added a brand new pole on top of the roof (of 200 North Beach Restaurant), a 30-foot pole we had custom-made, to move the oyster up and down smoother," MacPhaille said. "The oyster's been completely redone by local artist Steve Barney."

In addition, this year's featured entertainers include the Chee-Weez — "probably the best band

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Today
59°

Low Temperature 45°F
No Chance of Rain
Humidity 70%

High Tide

11:25 am @ -0.62 ft

Low Tide

11:25 am @ -0.62 ft

Dec. 29
61°

Low Temperature 47°F
No Chance of Rain
Humidity 70%

High Tide

12:24 am @ 1.71 ft

Low Tide

12:08 pm @ -0.52 ft

Dec. 30
66°

Low Temperature 52°F
No Chance of Rain
Humidity 81%

High Tide

12:58 am @ 1.57 ft

Low Tide

12:46 pm @ -0.39 ft

Dec. 31
61°

Low Temperature 50°F
No Chance of Rain
Humidity 69%

High Tide

01:26 am @ 1.41 ft

Low Tide

01:17 pm @ -0.23 ft

Jan. 1
60°

Low Temperature 52°F
No Chance of Rain
Humidity 74%

High Tide

01:44 am @ 1.15 ft

Low Tide

01:34 pm @ 0 ft

Jan. 2
64°

Low Temperature 57°F
87% Chance of Rain
Humidity 94%

High Tide

01:19 am @ 0.92 ft

Low Tide

11:08 pm @ 0.72 ft

Jan. 3
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Low Temperature 33°F
No Chance of Rain
Humidity 61%

High Tide

08:58 pm @ 0.79 ft

Low Tide

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looking to make a big deal out of it, but just trying to connect people with services. There's really not a limit to what she'll put her efforts into. She's just a wonderful person in our community. All of you could probably tell a story about something she's done to help someone who's in need."

Favre added that the holidays are a busy season for Aime-Gamble as she helps with food baskets for Thanksgiving and Christmas gift donations for families.

"She's made an impact for a lot of families," he said.

Favre said she has also served with CASA of Hancock County.

“When I think of Rhonda, I think of someone who loves Hancock County,” Favre said. “And loves Hancock County so much that she wants it to be better for everyone.”

Aime-Gamble described the honor as "extremely humbling."

"Ironically, a bit embarrassing," she said. "When you do work for others, you don't do it for recognition. We're taught, through our faith (Catholic) alms, give and say nothing. And that's what I try to do."

The first recipient of the Christmas Charity Cup was Millie Brignone for her work with "Millie's Movement," which is an effort to raise funds to purchase toys for children in need.

The second recipient was Connie Lyons, out-

reach minister for the King's Kitchen in Bay St. Louis, for her work with the needy and homeless in the community.

The 2022 recipient was Kristen Tusa, an educator at St. Stanislaus College in Bay St. Louis who organizes the youth for various civic and philanthropic ministries, coordinates the Waveland Veterans Day, and started Waveland Food Truck Friday and the Coleman Avenue Fall Fest.

Favre said the recipients are nominated and chosen by the youth court's staff.



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From left, 2022 Charity Cup recipient Kristen Tusa, 2020 recipient Millie Brignone, Judge Trent Favre, and 2023 Charity Cup recipient Rhonda Aime-Gamble.

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D’head Council denies zoning change for condo

**BY GEOFF BELCHER
GENERAL MANAGER**

The Diamondhead City Council last week shot down a controversial zoning change and set the stage to elect a brand new council member.

At its regularly-scheduled meeting last Tuesday, the council voted down a proposal to change the zoning for an 8.7 acre site along Gex Drive owned by Cure Land Company LLC from C-1 (Commercial) to TCMU (Town Center Mixed Use).

The purpose of the zoning change was to facilitate a condominium development, but neighbors of the site had concerns about the project, and petitioned the council to shoot down the zoning change.

The developers had initially requested a high-density zoning designation, but the council opted for the TCMU zoning in order to better fit into the city’s long-term development plans, City Manger Jon McCraw said earlier this month.

Even had the council approved the zoning change, McCraw said, that did not

mean the developers would immediately get to begin the project.

What the developer has presented to the council so far, McCraw said, “does not meet our code for the mixed use zoning designation.”

McCraw said “there would have to be ton of redesign” on the developers’ part before the project could move forward.

If and when the property is rezoned, he said, then “it would go through review, our city engineers would review it, the zoning department would review it ... There’s a lot of

changes and a lot of redesign just to meet the requirements of the new zoning.”

In other action last week, the council adopted a resolution declaring a vacancy in the Ward 4 council member’s seat. Former Ward 4 Councilman Chuck Clark was elected earlier this year to the Hancock County Board of Supervisors, and will take that seat in January. He resigned from the council effective Jan. 6.

A special election has been scheduled for Jan. 30, 2024 at the Diamondhead Community Center.

The last day for interested candidates to qualify is Wednesday, Jan. 10, by 5 p.m. Candidate information packets will be available at Diamondhead City Hall from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Friday, or by visiting the Mississippi Secretary of State Election Division website at 222.sos.ms.gov.

If no candidate receives a majority of the votes cast, the two with the highest number of votes will go to a run-off election three weeks later.

Deputies arrest Hancock man for kidnapping, armed robbery

ECHO STAFF

Deputies with the Hancock County Sheriff’s Office on Thursday responded to a 911 call for an armed robbery at A One Stop in Picayune, where a clerk was being held at gunpoint.

Officers responded, secured the scene, and during the investigation, identified the suspect’s vehicle and description, a press release from the sheriff’s office states.

Investigators determined that this armed robbery was similar to a burglary that had taken place at A One Stop



Danon Cody Duane Froman

a few days prior where similar items were stolen, the release states.

During the investigation, authorities identified Danon Cody Duane Froman from the Deer Park Community as a suspect, the release

states.

Upon arrival at Froman’s residence, investigators saw the suspect vehicle from the armed robbery located at the back of the residence, the release states.

After executing a search warrant, investigators located items matching burglary tools from the burglary, a sawed-off shotgun that matched the description of the one used in the armed robbery, as well as items taken during both incidents, the release states.

Deputies placed Froman into custody with-

out incident and upon further investigation, found that Froman had forced a juvenile at gunpoint into the trunk of his vehicle prior to the

armed robbery, the release states.

Froman was charged with armed robbery, kidnapping, and commercial burglary and is be-

ing held at the Hancock County Adult Detention Center pending his initial appearance, the release states.

Matthew Simpson ’24 Earns Perfect ACT Superscore

SPECIAL TO THE ECHO

Congratulations to senior Matthew Simpson who earned an ACT superscore of 36 after taking the exam last month. The ACT consists of tests in English, math, reading, and science, each scored on a scale of 1–36. A student’s composite score is the average of the four test scores. An ACT superscore is the final composite score made up of the highest individual section scores



Matthew Simpson

the superscore.

Matthew is the son of Drs. Samuel and Janet Simpson. Originally from Columbia, Missouri, the family relocated to Diamondhead. Matthew attended St. Vincent de Paul Elementary School prior to enrolling at SSC. In September, Matthew was named a semifinalist in the 2023-24 National Merit Scholarship Program. His future plans include pursuing a degree in Data Science at Mississippi State University.

across all ACT tests taken by a student. The individual section scores are averaged to create a new composite ACT score,

Starr Chapman receives Outstanding Woman Award

SPECIAL TO THE ECHO

The Hancock County Republican Women’s Club presented the Evelyn McPhail Outstanding Woman Award to Starr Chapman at its December meeting.

Mrs. McPhail was a long-time resident of Diamondhead. During the course of her life, she held various positions, including National Republican Committee Woman, Chairwoman of the Mississippi Republican Party and co-chair of the Republican National Committee.

She encouraged and promoted women throughout the state.

“Biannually, the Hancock County Republican Women’s Club Board acknowledges a member who exemplifies the spirit of Evelyn McPhail,” President Monica Ladner said. “The recipient is someone who has served in various capacities equally well: Working on committees, holding office and even those small things like taking out the trash and sweeping the floor. Each recipient has done her part to assist



**PHOTO SUBMITTED
Hancock County Republican Women’s Club President Monica Ladner, right, presents the Outstanding Woman Award to Starr Chapman.**

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high school level. You demonstrated leadership and worked a lot with teachers and administration.”

In addition, several of the organizations Ka’Lon participated in also gave back to the community, something he is passionate about.

Ka’Lon graduated from high school in 2017. However, he was faced with a tough decision, he said.

“I got a full scholarship to study at the University of the Bahamas or take on a job to sustain myself,” he said. “And I made the decision to take on the job because there was no way I could afford to be in college full-time and survive because I was living by myself.”

He obtained a job working as an equipment room attendee at a scuba diving resort.

“Eventually, I worked my way up to becoming a scuba diving instructor,” he said. “While I was scuba diving during the day, I worked as a pizza delivery driver at night.”

He worked there for nearly three years until Category 5 Hurricane Dorian devastated the island in 2019.

“My car was gone, my apartment was in ruins, and (I was) temporarily laid off from my job,” Ka’Lon said.

A CHANCE ENCOUNTER

During his stint as a tour guide, Ka’Lon met Cynthia.

“Just a few months before the storm made landfall, I had extended an invitation to her and her family to come and visit,” he said. “So they came in May of 2019 and they had such a great time and they wanted me to come back and visit their hometown just as a thank you.”

When Cynthia returned to the Bahamas, she said could tell he was “a really awesome young man. You could tell you was just a real go-getter.”

He did come to visit in October 2019, after Hurricane Dorian.

“I loved it,” he said. “I love Waveland. I love Bay St. Louis. I love her group of friends.”

Ka’Lon said an opportunity to attend school at the University of Southern Mississippi presented itself.

“Cynthia said she would help if I got in and I applied to USM,” he said. “I got accepted all while on this trip. I stayed from September until November and went back home, did my Visa interview in December and I was back in Mississippi on Dec. 21, 2019, getting ready to start school in January 2020.”

Ka’Lon said the Mahners opened up their home to him while he attended college.

Cynthia said she “felt a calling to do it.”

“She calls me inspiring, but she should be the one being featured,” he said. “Because, she really opened up her doors to me and let me in and she treated me just like her own child. When she did family trips, I did family trips with them. It was easy for me to get settled here in Mississippi because they became my family. Her friends and family became my



PHOTO SUBMITTED

One of Ka’Lon’s passions is scuba diving, which he shares with his fellow classmates at the USM Gulf Park campus through Fins and Flippers.

friends and family. That started a life here in Mississippi.”

A BUSY UNIVERSITY LIFE

Ka’Lon began his college career at the University of Southern Mississippi’s Long Beach campus, studying business administration with an emphasis in marketing.

“I’ve always had that niche for entrepreneurship and just business in general seeing my granddad run that little convenience store,” he said. “When I was a kid, I would mow lawns and wash cars, just always find some sort of way to generate some revenue.”

During his first semester of school, COVID hit. Also during that time, some of his family members back home passed away during the beginning of 2020 and he was unable to travel back.

“I was in school so I had to grieve,” he said. “The major thing of persisting is that I maintained a 4.0 and made the President’s List my first semester of college despite the challenges I had, the loss in the family, being locked up during COVID, just that in general was an achievement.”

When he returned to USM’s Long Beach campus, Ka’Lon said, he became very involved with campus organizations.

He joined Southern Connections, which is a leadership team on campus.

“We were like student ambassadors,” he said. “We volunteered at official university ceremonies and events.”

The team is known for their gold coats, he added.

He also joined the Student Government Association where he served as the vice-president of judicial affairs.

In that role, Ka’Lon said, he was responsible for ensuring that the student government leaders are following the constitution, enforcing legislation, and equal representation of students’ rights. The group also leads campus elections.

During his sophomore year, he served as SGA’s president, and that lasted for two terms.

“I served as the official voice for the student body,” he said. “I worked closely with the administration and the university president. We take students’ concerns to administration. We’re that extra layer at the university to say what’s happening here that y’all don’t know about. A lot of time, university leaders think they know what students want, but they really don’t know. So having the student government there, we can communicate the needs and the challenges of the students of what can be done to make this university experience better.”

He also led a team of

four executive officers and ensured each of them fulfilled their duties.

The last pillar is campus and student engagement, he said, which is encouraging students to attend campus events.

He also said he spent a lot of time working on the internal structure, ensuring the school’s constitution was together, and making sure there were bylaws.

In his role as president, he was afforded many unique opportunities, one being a spot on the Student Advisory Council. He also served on the provost search committee and participated in many commencement ceremonies.

Outside of SGA, he served as an International Student Ambassador, where he assisted students who weren’t familiar with the area to become more assimilated. He helped them obtain drivers licenses, search for apartments and cars, etc. and just becoming more “familiar with the college experience as a foreigner here in America.”

This year, Ka’Lon received the Outstanding International Student award given by the School of Leadership housed in the College of Business.

He also received the International Student of the Year award for 2023 from the International Student Services in Hattiesburg.

All of this led him back to two of his passions, scuba diving and ocean conservation.

FINS & FLIPPERS

Ka’Lon started a scuba diving organization at the Gulf Park campus called Fins and Flippers in October 2021. In addition to scuba diving, it also evolved into a social and activity group centered around marine studies.

The group was able to raise the funds to take a trip to the Georgia Aquarium in 2022 and to Mexico in 2023 for scuba diving activities.

In the group, Ka’Lon said, he has three pillars, the first being activities, the second being planning and conservation and the third pillar is fundraising.

He led several successful car washes on campus and raised more than \$3,000, which went to operating costs.

He also formed a leadership team within the club consisting of four vice-presidents who helped with activities, financial management, and planning.

“One of the major things in the club is, I wanted to give students an opportunity to learn how to scuba dive to become scuba-certified,” he said. “Because it was very important for marine biology majors or most of the students who were getting marine degrees. In order to do internship or even jobs, they require students to

have a scuba diving license or at least open water, which is the intro to scuba, and that’s not offered at the university through their curriculum on the coast.”

However, it costs about \$500 a year for Ka’Lon to obtain his license to teach, plus an additional \$1,000 for professional liability insurance.

This year, the group was able to fundraise enough to cover the costs for his license.

In March, he took a group of students to Florida, where five of them obtained their scuba certification. In October, another seven students received their certification.

“On average, it costs about \$2,000 per person to get scuba-certified and we did it with just the funds we raised, I didn’t charge them anything,” Ka’lon said.

The club also participates in regular beach cleanups and supports the Mississippi State University Extension Service program.

Next year, someone else will take over the presidency, he said, and the group plans to take a trip to Belize.

Ka’Lon said Fins and Flippers is the “largest and fastest-growing” student organization on the Gulf Park campus.

Ka’Lon is also an honors college scholar and worked on his undergraduate research for two years on perceived value and diver satisfaction on the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

“I evaluated what do local scuba divers on the Mississippi Gulf Coast value in their diving experience and the larger goal of that research if I wanted to or anybody in that industry wanted to explore that avenue as a potential business opportunity, they would have some sort of framework as to understanding why do local divers dive here in Mississippi and not go down to the Caribbean, Alabama, or Florida,” Ka’Lon said. “We found out that there was functional value and social value, which was the camaraderie that came from the diving experience. They were not just diving, but they became a community of people.”

He was one of the few students in the honors college to have his article published.

STUDYING ABROAD AND AN INTERNSHIP

During his entire undergraduate career, he worked in the Office of Student Engagement.

In the summer of 2022, Ka’Lon participated in the study abroad program and spent one month in London, England.

“I got to study about business in the United Kingdom, exploring the culture and how businesses operate,” he said. “We had a roundtable talk at the British House



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Ka’Lon and Cynthia Mahner.

of Parliament with one of their Parliamentarians for the Conservative party. We went to a panel discussion at the London School of Economics.”

During the summer of 2023, Ka’Lon, through the Fund for American Studies -- an academic internship program based in Washington D.C. -- interned with Caterpillar, Inc. in their corporate and government affairs office.

“Their government affairs office primarily lobbies,” he said. “I got to witness and participate in some of their lobbying efforts. I went to a few of their international meetings with some of the Caterpillar counterparts in countries like the United Kingdom, Slovakia, and I even attended a virtual workshop with a large company in Australia, talking about critical minerals and what it takes to make electric and autonomous vehicles.”

He also attended Congressional hearings and a Congressional update at the Library of Congress.

In addition to supporting the government affairs team, he also worked on legislation.

Also, through the Fund for American Studies, Ka’Lon completed three credit hours in economics at George Mason University in Washington, D.C.

Ka’Lon said he learned a lot of lobbying.

“I learned how businesses and government interact,” he said. “I took a legal business class, but learning one thing in theory is completely different.”

He said he learned some of the challenges of businesses and how government legislation affects them.

GRADUATING WITH HONORS

On Dec. 8, Ka’Lon graduated from USM as a President Standard Bearer, the student in the honors college from that graduating class with the highest GPA with the most credit hours. He graduated Cum Laude with a 3.5 cumulative GPA.

He now has a bachelors in business administration with a focus in marketing.

Outside of the classroom and his other engagements, Ka’Lon said, he spent many late nights writing and working.

“After being involved in campus all day, I would come home and take a little break in between, maybe from 6 to 8.p.m.,” he said. “Then from 8 until about 2 or 3 a.m. I would just write and work. That’s how I got it all done.”

For Ka’Lon, his motivation came from the

fact that he is a foreigner in America.

“You have to work twice as hard because you have to distinguish yourself if you want to compete in this market,” he said. “You’re no longer just competing with the local students, you’re in competition with all the other international students who have the same value for education. So all of these students are really high achievers and doing some of the same things that I’m doing. That was my motivation. I wanted to break barriers. I wanted to do things that international students didn’t always get to do, like studying abroad. From the Bahamas to the United States to United Kingdom, being able to spread my wings and fly like that. Unlocking doors that I never saw myself doing. All I had was a dream and a strong work ethic.”

LONG-TERM GOALS

Ka’Lon plans to continue his education by pursuing a Masters of Economic Development. He will also be working as a graduate assistant in academic affairs at USM’s Long Beach campus.

“The goal of that specific degree is one, I have a focus in an area and speciality or expertise, but it’s also flexible and can be used here and home, because it focuses on making economies attractive for investors, that’s just one part of it. And I am looking forward to it, it’s going to be a bit of a challenge, but I’m looking forward to just learning the new environment and content, and just seeing where that takes me.”

Another long-term goal is securing another summer internship at Caterpillar, Inc. he said.

His advice to all students in general: “Maximize every opportunity. You never know where the next ‘yes’ is going to take you. Do not limit yourself. It is better to try and fail than to not try at all.”

For the international students: “Persevere. It’s not about the destination, but more about the journey.”

The goal for Ka’Lon is flexibility, he said.

“I would like to stay here in America and maybe do some work,” he said. “But, also, I want to go back home and contribute and make a difference in my community.”

He extended his thanks to Cynthia and the communities of Bay St. Louis and Waveland.

“Remember to always be kind, you just never know,” Ka’Lon said.

Opinion

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A NEW YEAR

It’s always interesting to look back on old staff columns and see what topic was heavy on my noggin back then.

I happened upon one from Jan. 1, 2020, and boy, were my hopes dashed upon the rocky shores of reality that year.

Since it was the beginning of a new decade, the new Roaring ‘20s, I had hoped for a style resurgence complete with fringe, flapper dresses, and cloche hats.

Instead, 2020 brought a different type of style with it; masks, social distancing, and the unveiling of some of the biggest bunch of crybabies I’ve ever seen.

Needless to say, for me, this era of the Roaring ‘20s has been anything but fun.

And so begins another year and everyone feeling hopeful for the resolutions planned and the new possibilities a fresh start to the calendar brings with it.

As per my usual, I refuse to make resolutions and also just refuse to make any kind of assumptions about this new year.

I thought 2023 would be a bit better than the previous couple of years, but it turns out, fate had a different story to tell.

I’m glad this year is ending. It has been rough in so many more ways than I expected.

It is one that I will reflect on with copious amounts of anxiety, some relief, and grief. If you too, dear reader, had a rough year, know that your feelings are valid, there’s no timeline on our grieving, and it is perfectly normal to approach the new year with a bit of trepidation.

However, there is definitely one event I’m most looking forward to in 2024. The nephew is moving back to Texas from Alaska next summer! So that means he will be a car ride away and hopefully the latter half of the year will be full of Cass Cass and nephew shenanigans.

He did get his second white Christmas in a row this year and he was most excited about that, although maybe not as excited about that as he was about his new Minecraft robe from his mom and his new Minecraft Nerf gun from his Paw Paw.

He was delighted this year about the presents Paw Paw sent him. He said, “Paw Paw knows what I like!”

Of course, we were all delighted to have Paw Paw acting more and more like his old self this holiday.

He even made my favorite type of gumbo like his



STAFF COLUMN
BY CASSANDRA FAVRE

Hancock History: Cat Island

One of the barrier islands on the Mississippi Sound called Cat Island is located seven miles south of the town of Pass Christian. It is “T-shaped “and is approximately 5.5 miles in length and contains 1078 acres of land. The island contains dense forests of slash pines and live oak. Cat Island has rich history and folklore. The French explorers gave the island its name because they saw raccoons there and mistook them for cats. During the 18th Century, the island was home to soldiers, adventurers, pirates, and pioneers. Early settlers were attracted to the island because of some perceived safety regarding occasional Indian war parties. The land was excellent for cattle farming and raising crops.

The first settler to actually acquire a land grant was Nicholas Christian Ladner (1727-1800). The Ladner Family had emigrated from France and settled on the island about 1745. Christian received the land grant from the governor after the English took over the Gulf Coast in 1763. Christian married Marianne Paquet (1742-1810) and they lived on the island until 1788. Christian had to petition the Spanish governor around 1783 to validate his grant because the Gulf Coast became a Spanish colony in 1780. The problem of securing title to land was one reason there was very little migration to this part of North America and was a major incentive of these settlers to seek annexation by the Unit-

ed States in 1811. When Christian went to Mobile to secure a land grant for all of Cat Island, he registered the names for maritime charts of two passes between Cat Island and the mainland, Pass Christian and Pass Marianne, for himself and his wife.

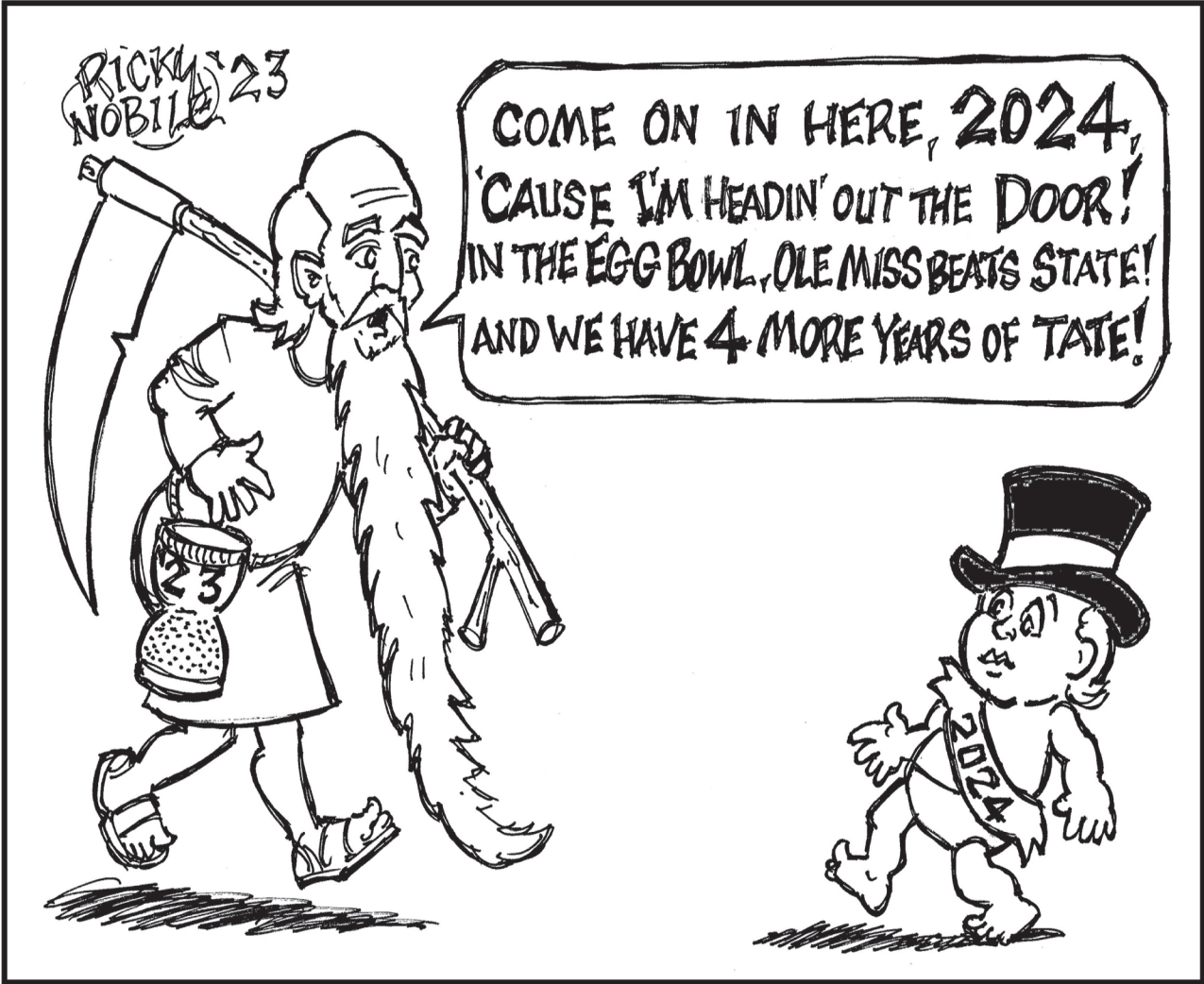
A Spanish soldier stationed in Pensacola, Jean “Juan” De Cuevas Sr. (1762-1849) who would visit Cat Island from time to time fell in love with a daughter of Christian, Marie Helene Ladner (1775-1852). The reader can see already how these old families, starting back on Cat Island in the late 18th Century, became so intertwined in Hancock County for 240 years. Juan took over ownership of the island in 1788 and the families there raised cattle,



HANCOCK HISTORY
BY JAMES KEATING M.D.

horses, and all kinds of livestock. New Orleans butchers came to Cat Island in their schooners and bought cows by the boatload. Juan also sold vegetables, potatoes, fish, and oysters to city merchants. During his lifetime he acquired significant wealth. In 1837

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Conservation Corner:
Northern Shoveler

As with most species, males found in nature, the male northern shoveler is the more attractive gender.

The breeding drake boasts an iridescent dark green head, white breast, and chestnut belly and flanks. In flight, pale blue forewing feathers can be observed separated from the green speculum by a white border.

The female, on the other hand, is a drab, mottled brown like other dabblers. The female’s forewing

is gray, and these colors help to camouflage her during nesting. However, in both the male and female of this species, it is not their colors that make them so easily identifiable, but rather their large bills. The northern shoveler is most known for its large, long, broad bill, which measures up to 2.5 inches in length.

Using these long, broad bills, the shoveler feeds by dabbling for plant food. Rather than dipping its body forward, the shoveler uses

its bill to skim the water. The shoveler can be observed swinging its bill from side to side as a means of using their bill to strain food from the water. Feeding on seeds of sedges, sawgrass, pondweeds, bulrushes, smartweeds, algae, duckweeds, and small aquatic insects such as mollusks and crustaceans, this highly specialized bill is equipped with well-developed, small, comb-like structures along its edge that work like a sieve to ensure they take in more food than water.

Weighing somewhere between 14 to 30 ounces, the northern shoveler prefers open wetlands, such as wet grassland or marshes with some emergent vegetation. Wintering in the South, this dabbling duck is strongly migratory and tends to winter further south than its breeding range.

Northern shovelers breed in grasslands. Pairing formation begins in winter and continues into spring migration.

Several males may court one female by gathering around her on the water. Each male will then attempt to lead the female away by either swimming away or by flying a short distance. The female will indicate her choice of male by following.

When nesting, the shoveler prefers shallow marshes that are mud-bottomed and rich in invertebrate life. The female will build the nest in a shallow depression, partly filled with dried grasses and weeds, and lined with down. Nesting sites are typically located on the ground in a grassy area and away from open water.

Females will lay between 6 to 14 pale olive eggs. If the first clutch of eggs is somehow destroyed, the replacement clutch will usually have fewer eggs.

Only the female is involved in incubation, which lasts between 21 to 27 days. Although the male does not participate in incubation, he does stay with the female



GUEST COLUMN
BY JAMES CUMMINS

longer than most other ducks, often through part of the incubation period.

Within a few hours of hatching, the female leads the young to water, keeping them close to vegetative cover. The young are capable of flight a mere 52 to 60 days after hatching.

James L. Cummins is executive director of Wildlife Mississippi, a non-profit, conservation organization founded to conserve, restore, and enhance fish, wildlife, and plant resources throughout Mississippi. Their web site is www.wildlifemiss.org.

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Arrests logged at the Hancock County Justice facility from December 18 to December 26 appearance on the jail log is not indicative of guilt, merely a record that an arrest has been made.

ECHO STAFF
Brennan D. Wood, 39, embezzlement
Jessica McDonald, 37, A&D program
Belinda Purser, 48, hold MDOC
Samantha Lewis, 41, hold MDOC
Whitney Franks, 37, A&D program
Coty, Majo, 34, hold MDOC
Kayla Napier, 30, A&D program
Christy Gomez, 45, hold MDOC
Milena Johnson, 22, hold MDOC
Katelyn Collier, 35, A&D program
Keandrea Foster, 26, hold MDOC
Jennifer Evans, 37, A&D program
Deasia Birdsong, 23, hold MDOC
Jamie Carpenter, 38, hold MDOC
Kimii Morris, 47, A&D program
Anna Dillard, 37, hold MDOC
Makayla Williams, 19, hold MDOC
Cynthia Sullivan, 48, A&D program
Dejuan King, 55, hold MDOC
Felicia Richards, 47, A&D program
Amanda Lucio, 41, hold MDOC
Amber Villarreal, 32, hold MDOC
Emily Jones, 33, hold MDOC
Krishanna Harvey, 34, A&D program
Bridgette Rogers, 33, hold MDOC
Myra Yawn, 41, hold MDOC
Chasity Counselman, 30, A&D program
Kimberly Lea, 42, hold MDOC
Whitney Smith, 31,

A&D program
Billy R. Britt, 47, probation violation
Brandon L. Shaw, 47, contempt failure to appear; probation violation
Adam L. Noble, 36, shoplifting
Eve M. McKee, 40, felony possession of controlled substance
Preston B. Baham, 26, DUI 1st offense
Jarrias L. Sandifer, 29, probation violation; tampering with physical evidence; controlled substance to sell, barter transfer, manufacture, distribute, dispense with intent to sell, barter transfer, manufacture, distribute, dispense
David M. Callahan, 28, hold for other agency
Kayse L. Tower, 35, DUI; DUI child endangerment x 2
Misty M. Alligood, 40, shoplifting
Jheada R. Moore, 26, leaving scene of accident involving only vehicular; possession of marijuana (1-30 grams)
Jameon D. Smith, 50, contempt of court failure to appear
Derrin C. Webb, 20, tag-none,expired, improperly mounted, covering or mounted; DUI; reckless driving; possession of marijuana (1-30 grams) while operating a motor vehicle
Richard R. Morden, 61, disorderly conduct; motor vehicle resisting/obstructing arrest
Richard T. Hague-wood, 36, credit card: forgery, unauthorized signature to defraud
Yvette J. Cuevas, 37, disorderly conduct
Jarrett D. Garth, 29, felony possession of controlled substance
Ronne A. James, 29, contempt of court failure to appear
Christopher J. Cooper, 26, probation violation
Kevin M. Billiot, 55,

contempt failure to appear payment hearing
Lagerrica J. Sands, 25, no drivers license or expired; contempt failure to appear
Joshua A. Whitfield, 43, contempt of court failure to appear
Souvieng M. Sayavong, 59, no drivers license or expired; leaving scene of accident involving only vehicular; no proof of liability insurance
Leslie N. Massey, 42, probation violation
Lexie K. Haynes, 21, burglary
Bradley L. St. Pierre, 60, probation violation
Danon C. Froman, 19, armed robbery; kidnapping abduction; burglary
Jonathan M. Bounds, 42, contempt of court failure to appear x 2
Brandon A. Farve, Jr., 20, contempt of court failure to appear
Dennis S. Marek, 24, DUI 1st offense
Sterlin O. Bell, 26, burglary
Jesse J. Berry, 31, contempt failure to appear
Heather Hobbs, 49, credit: forgery: falsely makes/alters/embosses card (intent to defraud) x 2
Tess M. Kingston, 39, simple assault; profane and indecent language over telephone
Kenneth Dunkley, Jr., 51, DUI 1st offense; contempt of court failure to appear
Blake J. Bourn, 21, tampering with physical evidence; controlled substance or counterfeit substance violations
Glenn P. Batiste, Jr., 37, felony possession of controlled substance; possession of paraphernalia
Dillon J. Prentice, 21, speeding; careless driving; DUI 1st offense
Logan V. Levy, 35,

simple domestic violence simple assault
Cassandra L. Threadgill, 35, contempt of court failure to appear x 2
Susan M. Levi, 35, contempt of court failure to appear
Justin L. Ingram, 26, contempt of court failure to appear x 2; larceny: felony taking of a vehicle
Shawn M. Harris, 51, trespassing
Francis J. Pavolini, 62, DUI
Taylor B. Easterling, 21, controlled substance to sell, barter transfer, manufacture, distribute, dispense with intent to sell, barter transfer, manufacture, distribute, dispense; contempt failure to appear
Eric D. Vaughn, 28, contempt failure to appear x 2
Sean M. Alphonso, 34, no proof of liability insurance; motor vehicle obedience of official traffic-control devices by emergency vehicles
Jason S. Strahan, 48, contempt failure to appear x 3
Robert R. Smith, 38, contempt of court failure to appear
Lee A. Homes, 41, contempt of court failure to appear
Alan J. Ransbury, 29, simple assault x 2
Sherry C. Ellzey, 45, simple domestic violence simple assault
Chenoah C. Kimble, 25, simple domestic violence simple assault
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Keondrea S. Gunn, 30, simple domestic violence simple assault

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in the region,” MacPhaille said, and Andree and the Giants.

As always, the oyster atop 200 North Beach will drop at the stroke of midnight, signaling the start of a massive fireworks display. The 100 and 200 blocks of North Beach Boulevard will be closed to traffic so the crowd can safely take to the streets.

“The great thing about this event for the public is, it’s free,” MacPhaille said. “You can come on down and set up a chair and dance, and if you want to go eat in one of the local restaurants, you can do that and

come back out and eat, drink and be merry.”

MacPhaille said this year’s event has more sponsors than ever, including King Waste, the Silver Slipper Casino, Hancock Whitney Bank, Tito’s Vodka, Mississippi Power, Eagan Insurance, Mitchell Distributing, McDonald Realty and The Blind Tiger.

“Of course, (Councilman) Josh DeSalvo does the fireworks with King Waste, and Mayor Mike Favre has always been a partner in this, along with the council, in getting the streets closed off and the police presence so everything remains safe,” MacPhaille said. “It’s a big street party and it’s kind of getting to be a little like Jazz Fest. Everybody should come out and have a good time.”

For more on the event, call 228-342-1966.

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mom used to make. It has hot dogs, bologna, and chicken in it. He added some sausage to it, too, this year. Plus, some potato salad on the side made for the perfect cozy meal.

Honestly, I’m so over the traditional same old, same old holiday meals. Anyone else feel that way?

Next week, the new year begins, and as usual, I will just roll with the punches. I’m not making any kind of plans or resolutions.

If you do like making resolutions, don’t beat yourself up if you can’t complete that or have a rough start. Sometimes, we set ourselves up for failure or disappointment by creating a daunting list of tasks to tackle.

But, you also don’t need a holiday to jumpstart any goals you might

have. Take it slow and work things at your own pace. Don’t let the influencers bully you into setting resolutions just because they do or it’s a big trend.

Thanks again, dear readers, for another year of reading the Sea Coast Echo. As always, I enjoy the feedback and camaraderie some of us often share.

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he sold the island for \$15,00 which was a fortune at that time.

The earliest recorded member of the local Moran clan to migrate from Canada to the Gulf Coast was Joseph Moran I (1739-1805). He married another daughter of Christian, Marie Louisa Christian Ladner (1760-

1804). They had twelve children, three of their sons had descendants who fostered a giant local Moran family tree now numbering in the thousands and spread over the entire Gulf Coast.

Cat Island has changed hands several times in the past. At the turn of the 20th Century a Goose Point Tarpon Club was built which was a fancy lodge for fishermen. Sadly, it was destroyed

by a hurricane only a few years after it was built. A saw mill and a turpentine kiln were on the island from 1913-1938. During World War II the Cat Island War Dog Reception and Training Center was established to train dogs to sniff out Japanese prisoners of war on the west side of the island. On the northeast part of the island A Sea Bee training area operated during World War II as well. In 2002 the west-

ern half and southern tip became a preserve of the Gulf Islands National Seashore. The remainder of the island is privately owned. Shore Thing Fishing Charters built a lodge for fishermen on South Bayou which is a navigable waterway.

There are no cats on the island, but there are a number of alligators that consider the place a wonderful beach resort destination.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The **HANCOCK COUNTY UTILITY AUTHORITY's**
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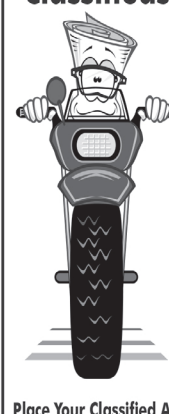
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Obituaries



• CHRISTY LYNN DEPREO
• JAMES WATT GILMORE

• RAYMOND GEORGE HEITZMANN

Christy Lynn Depreo

Christy Lynn Depreo, 64, of Bay St. Louis, MS passed away Friday, December 15, 2023 in Bay St. Louis, MS.

She enjoyed sewing and creating beautiful landscapes.

She was preceded in death by her father, Horace G. Davis, Jr. and brother, Billy Davis.

She is survived by her husband, Chuck Depreo; mother, Ruthie Davis;

brother, Glenn Davis; two sisters, Stephanie Ladner (Russell) and Tammy Moran; two daughters, Jennifer Davis and Emma Gay; step-daughter, Sarah Depreo and step-son, Chris Depreo and eight grandchildren.

Christy will be missed by her co-workers that she loved so much at the Silver Slipper. Additionally, all her friends and family in Hancock County that have known to love and care for Christy's caring ways.



A private service will be held at a later date.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Christy Lynn Depreo.

MDMR Marine Information Calendars available coastwide

SPECIAL TO THE ECHO

The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources' 2024 Marine Information Calendars are now available at locations along the Coast.

The agency held a photo contest earlier this year, and those chosen are featured each month and on the cover, as well as on collage pages in the calendar.

The winners of the photo contest are: Cover, Joan McCool; January, Linda Souhrada; February, Amanda Phillips; March, Gail Jakubiak; April, Tim Lawton; May, Courtney Walker; June, Jeff Baldock; July, Capt. Sonny Schindler; August, Bob Effinger; September, Robert Skrmetta; October, Gina Eger; November, Gary Crossland; December, Sylvia Anderson.

This year's calendar features the offices and programs that MDMR administers to protect those coastal resources. The free calendar also contains such information as tide data, sunrise and sunset times, moon phases, artificial reef coordinates, size and possession limits for fish, boating safety requirements and Mississippi saltwater fish records.

The calendars will be available at the following locations while supplies last. Calendars will also be available at Coast bait shops.

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• **The Sea Coast Echo**, 835 Hwy 90 Suite #8, 228-467-5473

• **Hancock County Chamber of Commerce**, 300 S. 2nd St., 228-467-9048

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• **Biloxi Visitors Center**, 1050 Beach Blvd., 228-374-3105

• **Mississippi Department of Marine Resources**, 1141 Bayview Ave., 228-374-5000

• **Mississippi State University Coastal Research & Extension Center**, 1815 Popp's Ferry Rd., 228-388-4710

• **Hope Community Credit Union**, 188 Porter Ave., 228-374-1554

GULFPORT:

• Gulf Coast

Community Federal Credit Union, 12364 Hwy. 49, 228-539-7029

• **WXXV Fox 25**, 14351 Hwy. 49, 228-832-2525

• **Gulfport City Hall**, 2309 15th St. 228-868-5700

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• **Long Beach City Hall**, 201 Jeff Davis Ave., 228-863-1556

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James Watt Gilmore

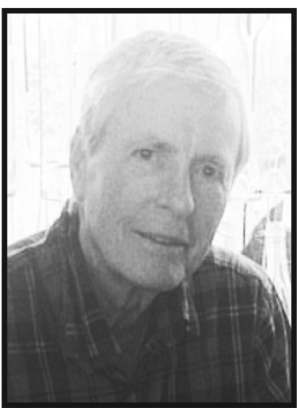
James Watt Gilmore, 90 years old passed away peacefully on Monday December 18th. He was blessedly surrounded by his loved ones in his final hours. James was born January 26th 1933 in Truth or Consequences New Mexico, now called Hot Springs. He later moved and was raised in Bay Saint Louis MS, where he attended Saint Stanislaus Class of 1951. Later he attended Ole Miss and then moved to NYC and Paris, where he was a Ford Model, and on the cover of GQ Magazine in 1969.

He married Astrid

Gilmore in 1969, and had 2 children Jennyka Wassermann and Alexie Van Bilderbeek and raised his family in NYC and Tenaflly NJ. Later he was a salesman in Home Textiles working for Covington in NY and later with his own business Gilmore Textiles. He was a Deacon at Northern Valley Evangelical Free Church in NJ and always very involved in church life.

James greatest joy was spending time with his family, telling old stories, and making people laugh. He always showed up for everyone and made them feel loved.

He is survived by his



wife of 55 years Astrid Gilmore, daughters Jennyka Wassermann and Alexie Van Bilderbeek, Grandchildren Finn, Ryker and Willem, and brother Gary Gilmore of Bay St Louis.

A Memorial will take place in the New Year at his residence in Long Island.

Raymond George Heitzmann

Raymond, or Ray as he was called, passed away on December 20, 2023, in Bay St. Louis, MS after a 10-year battle with Parkinson's disease. He was born on January 8, 1950, in Bay St. Louis to Carl G. Heitzmann and Velma A. Zengarling Heitzmann. Ray was a special person. Although he was born with a serious physical handicap, he never thought of himself as being handicapped, and to the contrary, if you told him he couldn't do something,

he was quick to show you he could. Ray was a fisherman extraordinaire, a dedicated hunter, and a master billiards player. He was also a talented Draftsman. Ray graduated from St. Stanislaus High School in 1968 and was a life-long member of Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church in Bay St. Louis.

Ray was preceded in death by his parents, Carl G. Heitzmann and Velma A. Zengarling Heitzmann, brother Carl J. Heitzmann and sister-in-law, Mimi Monti Heitzmann. He is survived by his son, Dustin C. Heitzmann of Tucson,

AZ, step-daughter Sherrilyn Burns of Bay St. Louis, and brother Jerry Heitzmann and his wife, Debbie, of Diamondhead, MS.

Visitation was at 10 a.m. on Friday, December 22, 2023, at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis with a Christian burial service in St. Mary's cemetery in Bay St. Louis at 11 a.m.

A special thanks goes out to his ex-wife, Loretta Gilbert, and her husband, A.J. They spent many hours over the past years helping Ray with his medical and physical needs.



PHOTO SUBMITTED

Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary 3253 President Cindy Schoonmaker presented Rock Murphy with a check for the Wounded Warriors In Action Foundation. Rock and Joanie Murphy along with the Murphy Family and friends will host their 11th annual Wounded Warriors In Action Mississippi Gulf Coast hog hunt on the Pearl River.

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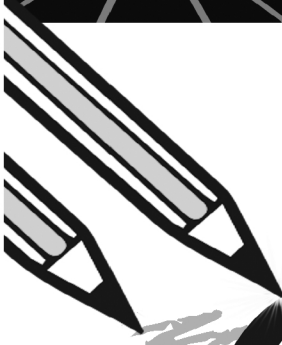
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT: Pursuant to Mississippi Code Annotated Section 23-15-854, on Tuesday, January 30, 2024 a Special Municipal Election will be held in the City of Diamondhead, Hancock County, Mississippi, for the purpose of electing a City Councilmember to fill the Ward 4 vacancy resulting from the resignation of a duly elected member of the City Council of the City of Diamondhead, Mississippi. December 30, 2023 is the deadline to register to vote in the Special Election; City Hall will be open on Saturday, December 30th from 8 a.m. until noon for voter registration. Mail-in registration form is available on the elections page at www.diamondhead.ms.gov or www.sos.ms.gov.

The nonpartisan Special Election will be held on Tuesday, January 30, 2024 at the Diamondhead Community Center located at 5300 Diamondhead Circle, Diamondhead. The last day for interested candidates to qualify is Wednesday, January 10, 2024 by 5:00 p.m. Candidate information packets are available at City Hall Monday - Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. or by visiting the Mississippi Secretary of State Election Division website www.sos.ms.gov.

If no candidate receives a majority of the votes cast therein, the two candidates receiving the highest number of votes shall have their names placed on the ballot for a run-off election to be held three (3) weeks, thereafter.

So, ORDERED AND DIRECTED by the City Council of the City of Diamondhead, Mississippi on this the 19th day of December, 2023.

JEANNIE KLEIN | CITY CLERK



A cartoon monkey character, likely representing the 'e' brand, is shown in a dynamic pose. The monkey is wearing a dark cap, a dark long-sleeved shirt, and light-colored shorts with a small 'e' logo on the left leg. It is holding a large, stylized letter 'e' in its right hand. The background is white with a large, faint 'e' logo visible behind the monkey.

word search

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Level: Intermediate

1. Bleated
6. Snakelike fish
9. Database management system
13. Russian-American violinist
14. Wendy's founder Thomas
15. Ancient Italian-Greek colony
16. Negatives
17. Rescued
18. Self-immolation by fire ritual
19. Assigns tasks to
21. Island nation native
22. Trade
23. Detergent brand
24. Famed NY Giant
25. Before
28. Split pulses
29. Extremely angry; highly incensed
31. Body part
33. American state
36. David , US playwright

38. Move one's head slightly
39. Secret rendezvous
41. Improved
44. A place to exercise
45. 18-year astronomical period
46. Automobile
48. You can take it
49. A radio band
51. Jaws of an animal
52. Short-billed rails
54. Chinese province
56. Shameless and undisguised
60. Horizontal passage into a mine
61. Adult males
62. Fail to entertain
63. Dried-up
64. City in north-central Utah
65. Southern U.S.
66. German river
67. Oxygen
68. Make law

1. What actor plays Ken in the 2023 blockbuster movie "Barbie?"
2. What name is singer-actor Stefani Germanotta better known by?
3. Which horror author penned the apocalyptic novel "The Stand"?
4. Which book about a band of rabbits became a bestseller in 1972?
5. How many moons does Neptune have?

1. Curved segment
2. Wings
3. From pentane (Chemistry)
4. Gradually gets into
5. Commercial document (abbr.)
6. Overhang
7. Christmas and New Year's have them
8. Type of bulb
9. Lacking a plan
10. Tattle
11. Rockers like it "heavy"
12. One who's been canonized
14. Indicate time and place
17. Nobel Prize winner in physics
20. The voice of Olaf
21. Fragmented rock
23. They ____
25. Master of Philosophy
26. Backside
27. Landmark house in L.A.

29. An act of undue intimacy
30. From which a later word is derived
32. Equal to 10 meters
34. Neither
35. Computer language
37. Sacred book of Judaism
40. A woolen cap of Scottish origin
42. A way to dedicate
43. Challenges
47. British Air Aces
49. Large, influential bank
50. Portended
52. Cavalry-sword
53. Vaccine developer
55. Napoleonic Wars general
56. Italian Seaport
57. Hip joint
58. ___ Clapton, musician
59. Insect repellent
61. Decorative scarf
65. Delaware

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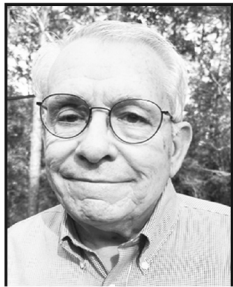
1. Ryan Gosling
2. Lady Gaga
3. Stephen King
4. "Watership Down"
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Devotional Page

A Way of Hope

By **REV. C. GERALD RICHARDSON, D. MIN**



C. Gerald Richardson, D. MIN.

As we approach the end of another calendar year, it is fitting to engage in a bit of introspection. Surely we know that, as we come to this time of year, we do so amid mounting tensions in the global, domestic, spiritual, and personal

aspects of our lives.

The book of Proverbs is a well-known collection of wise advice in what is commonly referred to as the “wisdom literature” of the Hebrew scripture. It remains a valued and worthwhile source of guidance even thousands of years after it was written. Reflecting on the end of this year, and anticipating the next, a simple quote from the book caught my attention.

Surely there is a future, and your hope will not be cut off. (Proverbs 23:18)

It is important that we see this sentiment as not being just about religion. There is truth in the conviction that re-

ligion can be, and often is, an avenue for hope to emerge in life, but it is not the only way it can come.

After many years of counseling in settings of spiritual, domestic, health, grief, and other areas of crisis, I can attest that it is possible to find hope in the darkest experiences of life. The path is never easy. It requires commitment, hard work, and usually, help from a therapist, pastor, mentor, or sometimes, a wise and trusted friend. It is also essential that the person in crisis possess a real desire to discover new and more healthy ways of living.

New Year’s resolutions are

often jokingly referred to as little more than wishful thinking. We resolve to make certain changes in life or do something better than we have in the past.

Maybe we wish to exercise more, eat a more healthy diet, lose some weight, or make some other positive change in life. These things are good, and sometimes such resolutions result in healthy and satisfactory outcomes.

It is important to acknowledge that there are situations in our lives which require a great deal more intentional effort, and at times, professional help.

There is, of course, nothing

magical about the calendar. It is no more than a human invention to measure the passing of time.

It is surely helpful to almost all of us as we go about the task of ordering the days of our lives. It does have the benefit of providing us with an opportunity for reflecting on our lives, our relationships, and our future. One wholesome practice for these closing days of 2023 and the anticipation of 2024 could be to consider the wisdom of “Proverbs”. May we trust in the hope of the future, “and not be cut off”.

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2 Lots for sale in bayside park subdivision. Lots 8 and 9 Square 146 unit #2. \$3,500 or best offer. Call 225-324-6217

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LEGALS

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

BARBARA RENDER, DECEASED

CAUSE NO: 23CH1:23-cv-00541-MA

LOWELL THOMAS ABERCROMBIE, JR., PETITIONER

EXECUTORS NOTICE TO CREDITORS

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 1st day of December, 2023, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of Barbara Render, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration according to law within ninety (90) days from this date, or they will be forever barred.

THIS 21st day of December, 2023.

s/LOWELL THOMAS ABERCROMBIE, JR.

PUBLISH: December 21, 2023, December 28, 2023 and January 4, 2024

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF BILLY DALE MORING, DECEASED NO. 23-17 (1) SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

TO THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: ALL UNKNOWN OR KNOWN HEIRS-AT-LAW OF BILLY DALE MORING AND ANY AND ALL OTHER PER-

SONS CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST AS HEIRS OF THE ESTATE OF BILLY DALE MORING

You have been made a Respondent in the Matter of the Estate of BILLY DALE MORING, filed in this Court by Allen D. Moring, Petitioner. You are summoned to appear and defend against the Petition filed in the Matter of the Estate of BILLY DALE MORING in this action at 9 o'clock a.m. on the 9th day of January, 2024 in the Chancery courtroom of the Harrison County Chancery Court-house located at 1801 23rd Avenue, Gulfport, Mississippi. You are not required to file an answer or other pleading, but you may do so if you desire. ISSUED under my hand and the seal of said Court, this the 19th day of October, 2024.

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(2), until Users contractual obligation theretofore incurred has been fully satisfied (5) consents and agrees with Secured Partys filing of any UCC Financing Statement, as described above in paragraphs (3) and (4), as well as the filing of any Security Agreement, as described above in paragraph (2), in the UCC filing office, as well as in any county recorders office; (6) consents and agrees that any and all such filings described in paragraphs (4) and (5) above are not, and may not be considered, bogus, and that User will not claim that any such filing is bogus; (7) waives all defenses; and (8) appoints Secured Party as Authorized Representative for User, effective upon Users default re Users contractual obligations in favor of Secured Party as set forth below under Payment Terms and Default Terms, granting Secured Party full authorization and power for engaging in any and all actions on behalf of User including, but not limited by, authentication of a record on behalf of User, as Secured Party, in Secured Partys sole discretion, deems appropriate, and User further consents and agrees that this appointment of Secured Party as Authorized Representative for User, effective upon Users default, is irrevocable and coupled with a security interest. User further consents and agrees with all of the following additional terms of Self-executing Contract/Security Agreement in the Event of Unauthorized Use: Payment Terms: In accordance, with fees for unauthorized use of TRAMICA SHANTRELL NEWTON ©2023 as set forth above, User hereby consents and agrees that User shall pay Secured Party all unauthorized-use fees in full within ten (10) days of the date an invoice is sent.

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Debtor:TRAMICA SHANTRELL NEWTON ©2023.
/s/: Tramica-shantrell: Newton.

Debtor/Conduit/Transmitting Utility

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DENISE SAWYER, DECEASED CAUSE NO. 23-449-MA

ERIK SKOGEN PETITIONER
S U M M O N S

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: The Unknown Heirs-at-Law of Denise Sawyer, Deceased

You have been made a Respondent in the suit filed in this Court in the Matter of the Estate of Denise Sawyer, Deceased, seeking approval of the Petition to establish heirs. Respondents other than you in this action are Erik Skogen and the unknown heirs-at-law of Denise Sawyer.

You are summoned to appear and defend against said complaint or petition filed against you in this action at 9:00 o'clock A.M. on the 25th day of January, 2024, in the Chancery Courtroom at the Harrison County Courthouse, Biloxi, Mississippi, and in case of your

failure to appear and defend a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the complaint or petition.

You are not required to file an answer or other pleadings but you may do so if you desire.

Issued under my hand and seal of said Court, this the 21st day of November, 2023.

Timothy A. Keller, Chancery Clerk
Hancock County, Mississippi
152 Main Street, Suite A
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520

(S E A L)
BY:Bridgette Ladner, D.C.

Publish: December 14, 2023; December 21, 2023, December 28, 2023.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS CITY OF DIAMONDHEAD ANNUAL UNIT PRICE REPAIR CONTRACT
General Notice
City of Diamondhead (Owner) is requesting Bids for the following Project:
2024 Annual Unit Price Repair Contract
Project Number 16175.08
Bid No. 2024-003

Electronic or Sealed Bids for the Project will be received by the City Clerk at the Diamondhead City Hall located at 5000 Diamondhead Circle, Diamondhead, MS, until February 1, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. local time. At that time the Bids received will be publicly opened and read aloud.

All bids must be addressed to the City of Diamondhead marked "SEALED BID TO BE OPENED AT 10:00 A.M., 1st day, February 2024", and specify the name of the bid item. If a bid is submitted by mail, the address of City of Diamondhead is "5000 Diamondhead Circle, Diamondhead, MS 39525. If a bid is hand-delivered, the street address is the same as the mailing address. When bids are submitted electronically, the same requirements for submitting sealed bids shall apply. Electronic bids shall include a document representing the cover of the envelope containing the aforementioned criteria.

Unit price bids are invited for the furnishing of materials, equipment, labor, and incidentals necessary to effect certain repairs and/or replacement of existing utilities within the City of Diamondhead. Obtaining the Bidding Documents
Copies of the contract documents, including Drawings and Technical Specifications, are on file and may be examined without charge at the following locations:

Covington Civil & Environmental
2300 14th Street
Gulfport, MS 39501
City of Diamondhead
5000 Diamondhead Circle
Diamondhead, Mississippi 39525
www.diamondheadbids.com<http://www.diamondheadbids.com>
(log-in/registration required)

Plans and Specifications are being made available via hard copy or digital download. Plan Holders are required to log-in or register for an account to view or order bid documents at www.diamondheadbids.com<http://www.diamondheadbids.com>. Bid documents are non-refundable and must be purchased through the website. Questions regarding website registration and online orders, please contact Plan House at 228-248-0181. No partial sets of drawings of project manuals will be issued. No contract documents (hard copies or electronic copies) will be issued to Contractors within twenty-four (24) hours of the time indicated above for receiving bids.

Bids must be submitted upon the standard forms contained within these contract documents furnished by the Engineer for the City of Diamondhead, Mississippi, noted in the Instructions to Bidders. Bids submitted shall be in letter form in a sealed envelope and outside of envelope shall be marked plainly City of Diamondhead, 2024 Annual Unit Price Repair Contract and shall be addressed to Jeannie Klein, City Clerk, City of Diamondhead at 5000 Diamondhead Circle, Diamondhead, Mississippi 39525 or for those interested, bids can be electronically submitted at www.diamondheadbids.com<http://www.diamondheadbids.com> under the project page. No oral, telegraphic, telephonic, or e-mail proposals will be considered. Each bidder shall write his Name, his Address, and his Certificate of Responsibility number/or a statement that the bid enclosed does not exceed Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) on the outside of the sealed envelope containing the proposal. If submitting electronically, please include this information on a cover page with your bid submission. All interpretations of drawings and specifications shall be directed

to Covington Civil & Environmental, LLC, Andrew Levens, P.E. 228-396-0486 or email andrew@ccellc.us<mailto:andrew@ccellc.us>. All questions regarding this bid must be submitted in writing and must be received by the end of business 5:00 p.m. local time January 24, 2024. Questions submitted after this date will not be considered. An acknowledged received copy of all Addenda issued by the Engineer via Plan House must be included with the bid proposal.

Pre-bid Conference
A pre-bid conference will be held on Thursday, January 18, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. at Diamondhead City Hall, 5000 Diamondhead Circle, Diamondhead, MS 39525. Attendance at the pre-bid conference is encouraged but not required. Instructions to Bidders
Minority and women's business enterprises are solicited to bid on this contract as prime contractors and are encouraged to make inquiries regarding potential subcontracting opportunities and equipment, material and/or supply needs. All bidders must make positive efforts to use small and minority owned business and women business enterprises.

A certified check or bank draft payable to the order of City of Diamondhead, Mississippi, negotiable U.S. Government bonds (at par value), or a satisfactory Bid Bond executed by the Bidder and an acceptable surety licensed under the laws of the State of Mississippi, in an amount equal to five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) for "City of Diamondhead, 2023 Annual Unit Price Repair Contract" shall be submitted with each bid.

The Bidder must indicate his Certificate of Responsibility Number on outside of sealed proposal as required by Mississippi Law. For the purposes of submitting a bid, the Bidder shall possess a current commercial contractor's license from the Mississippi State Board of Contractors. The license shall be in the correct classification of licensure that will allow the perspective bidder to perform the work described in the bid documents.

The City of Diamondhead, Mississippi, reserves the right to consider the following relevant factors in addition to the contract price in determining the lowest and best bid: bidder's skill and business judgment, his experience, and his facilities for carrying out the contract, his previous conduct under other contracts and the quality of previous work, as well as his pecuniary ability, honesty, and integrity. The City also reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informalities in the bidding.

Effective July 1, 2010; Per MS Code 31-3-21(3); any bid submitted by a nonresident contractor which does not include the nonresident contractor's current state law pertaining to such state's treatment of nonresident contractors, shall be rejected, and not considered for award. If no such law exists in the nonresident contractor's state, then the non-resident contractor shall provide a statement to that effect with his bid. The City of Diamondhead, Mississippi, reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any informality in the bidding. Bids may be held by the City of Diamondhead, Mississippi, for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days from the date of the opening of bids for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the qualifications of Bidders, prior to awarding of the contract.

For all further requirements regarding bid submittal, qualifications, procedures, and contract award, refer to the Instructions to Bidders that are included in the Bidding Documents. This Advertisement is issued by:

Owner: City of Diamondhead
By: Jeannie Klein
Title: City Clerk
Date: 12/28/2023 & 1/4/2024

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS CITY OF DIAMONDHEAD BAYOU DRIVE DRAINAGE PROJECT

Bid No. 2024-003
General Notice
City of Diamondhead (Owner) is requesting Bids for the construction of the following Project:
Bayou Drive Drainage Project
City of Diamondhead
Bids for the construction of the Project will be received at the Diamondhead City Hall located at 5000 Diamondhead Circle, Diamondhead, MS 39525, until Thursday, February 8, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. local time. At that time the Bids received will be publicly opened and read.

The Project includes the following Work:
The project includes, but is not limited to, stormwater drainage improvements, pipe removal and cast-in-place drainage structures, elevating roadway, roadway restoration, grading and vegetative restoration near intersection of Bayou Drive and

Bayou Place.

The maximum allowable number of consecutive calendar days for the completion of Work (the Contract Time) is set forth in the Bid Proposal and will be included in the executed Agreement. The project will be subject to liquidated damages in the amount of Six Hundred Dollars (\$600) per consecutive calendar day for each day in default after the stipulated completion date. The contract time will begin when the Contractor commences work on this project but no later than the tenth consecutive calendar day after receipt of a notice to proceed from the Owner. Obtaining the Bidding Documents
Copies of the contract documents, including Drawings and Technical Specifications, are on file and may be examined without charge at the following locations:

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Bids must be submitted upon the standard forms contained within these contract documents furnished by the Engineer for the City of Diamondhead, Mississippi, noted in the Instructions to Bidders. Bids submitted shall be in letter form in a sealed envelope and outside of envelope shall be marked plainly Bayou Drive Drainage Project and shall be addressed to Jeannie Klein, City Clerk, City of Diamondhead at 5000 Diamondhead Circle, Diamondhead, Mississippi 39525 or for those interested, bids can be electronically submitted at www.diamondheadbids.com<http://www.diamondheadbids.com> or www.ccellcplans.us<http://www.ccellcplans.us> under the project page. No oral, telegraphic, telephonic, or e-mail proposals will be considered. Each bidder shall write his/her Name, Address, and Certificate of Responsibility number/or a statement that the bid enclosed does not exceed Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) on the outside of the sealed envelope containing the proposal. If submitting electronically, please include this information on a cover page with your bid submission. All interpretations of drawings and specifications shall be directed to Covington Civil & Environmental, Andrew Levens, P.E. 228-396-0486 or email andrew@ccellc.us<mailto:andrew@ccellc.us>. All questions regarding this bid must be submitted in writing and must be received by the end of business 5:00 p.m. local time January 24, 2024. Questions submitted after this date will not be considered. An acknowledged received copy of all Addenda issued by the Engineer via Plan House must be included with the bid proposal.

Pre-bid Conference
A pre-bid conference for the Project will be held on Thursday, January 25, 2024, at 10:00 AM at Diamondhead City Hall, 5000 Diamondhead Circle, Diamondhead, MS 39525. Attendance at the pre-bid conference is encouraged but not required. Instructions to Bidders
Each bid must be accompanied by a Bid Bond or Certified Check in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of his Base Bid, payable to the City of Diamondhead, Mississippi, as bid security. In the event that an electronic bid is submitted, a copy of the bid bond must be included with the submission. If submitted electronically, a hard copy of all bid documents must be provided within 3 business days if requested after the bid opening. The successful bidder shall furnish a Performance Bond and a Payment Bond each in the amount of 100% of the bid. All non-resident requirements shall be met. The City of Diamondhead, Mississippi, reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any informality in the bidding. Bids may be held by the City of Diamondhead, Missis-

issippi, for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days from the date of the opening of bids for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the qualifications of Bidders, prior to awarding of the contract.

The project is funded by ARPA and the requirements for this grant including the procurement process shall be followed including opportunity for participation by minority and women-owned business enterprises in the procurement of goods and services.

For all further requirements regarding bid submittal, qualifications, procedures, and contract award, refer to the Instructions to Bidders that are included in the Bidding Documents.

This Advertisement is issued by:

Owner: City of Diamondhead
By: Jeannie Klein
Title: City Clerk
Date: 12/28/2023 & 1/4/2024

TRUSTEES NOTICE OF SALE

WHEREAS, on January 30, 2008, Joann Mestayer, execut- ed a Deed of Trust to Preston J. Mauffray, as Trustee for On- Path Federal Credit Union f/k/a ASI Federal Credit Union, as Beneficiary, which is recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of the Hancock County, MS, in Book 2008 at Page 4401;

WHEREAS, on November 17, 2023, OnPath Federal Credit Union substituted James Eldred Renfro as Trustee in the aforementioned deed of trust with this recorded in Book 2023 at Page 25645;

WHEREAS, there being a default in the terms and conditions of the Deed of Trust and entire debt secured having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with its terms, On- Path Federal Credit Union, the holder of the debt has requested the Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land and property pursuant to its terms in order to raise the sums due, with attorneys and trustees fees, and expenses of sale;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, James Eldred Renfro, Trustee for said Deed of Trust, will on January 12, 2024, offer for sale at public outcry, and sell within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 a.m., and 4:00 p.m.) at the front steps of the Hancock County Courthouse located at 152 Main Street, City of Bay St. Louis, MS, to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following described property situated in Hancock County, MS, to-wit:

Lots 3, 4 and 5, AUDREY PLACE SUBDIVISION, Fourth Ward, Town of Waveland, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per official plat of said Subdivision filed in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi on July 12, 1954, and recorded in Vol. J-8, Pages 586-87, Deed Records of Hancock County, Mississippi.

I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Trustee, with no warranties.

WITNESS my signature this 6th day of December, 2023.

JAMES ELDRED RENFROE, Trustee

James Eldred Renfro, 648 Lakeland East Dr., Ste A, Flowood, MS 39232, Phone 601-932-1011

Publish: 12/21, 12/28, 1/4, 1/11

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN RE: ESTATE OF JUDY SPARKMAN TRAVIRCA, DECEASED CAUSE NO. 23CH1:23-cv-615-JP

EXECUTORS NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF JUDY SPARKMAN TRAVIRCA

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 15th day of December, 2023, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the estate of Judy Sparkman Travirca, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for Probate and registered according to law within 90 days from the first date of publication of this notice, or they will be forever barred.

This 15th day of December, A.D., 2023.

s/ CHESTER A. TRAVIRCA III, EXECUTOR

Caroline E. Haas, MS Bar No. 104525
Haas and Haas Attorneys
201 N. Second Street
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
T: (228) 467-6574
F: (228) 467-6575

Publish Dates: 12/21/2023; 12/28/2023; 1/4/2024

General Notice
City of Diamondhead (Owner) is requesting Bids for the construction of the following Project:
Kaleki Way Drainage Project
City of Diamondhead
Bids for the construction of the Project will be received at the Diamondhead City Hall located at 5000 Diamondhead Circle, Diamondhead, MS 39525, until Thursday, February 1, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. local time. At that time the Bids received will be publicly opened and read.

The Project includes the following Work:
The project includes, but is not limited to, stormwater drainage improvements, pipe removal and replacement, excavation of existing ditches, and excavation of a proposed ditch between Leke Drive and Kaleki Way.

The maximum allowable number of consecutive calendar days for the completion of Work (the Contract Time) is set forth in the Bid Proposal and will be included in the executed Agreement. The project will be subject to liquidated damages in the amount of Six Hundred Dollars (\$600) per consecutive calendar day for each day in default after the stipulated completion date. The contract time will begin when the Contractor commences work on this project but no later than the tenth consecutive calendar day after receipt of a notice to proceed from the Owner.

Obtaining the Bidding Documents
Copies of the contract documents, including Drawings and Technical Specifications, are on file and may be examined without charge at the following locations:

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Bids must be submitted upon the standard forms contained within these contract documents furnished by the Engineer for the City of Diamondhead, Mississippi, noted in the Instructions to Bidders. Bids submitted shall be in letter form in a sealed envelope and outside of envelope shall be marked plainly Kaleki Way Drainage Project and shall be addressed to Jeannie Klein, City Clerk, City of Diamondhead at 5000 Diamondhead Circle, Diamondhead, Mississippi 39525 or for those interested, bids can be electronically submitted at www.diamondheadbids.com<http://www.diamondheadbids.com> or www.ccellcplans.us<http://www.ccellcplans.us> under the project page. No oral, telegraphic, telephonic, or e-mail proposals will be considered. Each bidder shall write his/her Name, Address, and Certificate of Responsibility number/or a statement that the bid enclosed does not exceed Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) on the outside of the sealed envelope containing the proposal. If submitting electronically, please include this information on a cover page with your bid submission. All interpretations of drawings and specifications shall be directed to Covington Civil & Environmental, Andrew Levens, P.E. 228-396-0486 or email andrew@ccellc.us<mailto:andrew@ccellc.us>. All questions regarding this bid must be submitted in writing and must be received by the end of business 5:00 p.m. local time January 24, 2024. Questions submitted after this date will not be considered. An acknowledged received copy of all Addenda issued by the Engineer via Plan House must be included with the bid proposal.

Pre-bid Conference
A pre-bid conference for the Project will be held on Thursday, January 18, 2024, at 10:00 AM at Diamondhead City Hall, 5000 Diamondhead Circle, Diamondhead, MS 39525. Attendance at the pre-bid conference is encouraged but not required.

Instructions to Bidders
Each bid must be accompanied by a Bid Bond or Certified Check in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of his Base Bid, payable to the City of Diamondhead, Mississippi, as bid security. In the event that an electronic bid is submitted, a copy of the bid bond must be included with the submission. If submitted electronically, a hard copy of all bid documents must be provided within 3 business days if requested after the bid opening. The successful bidder shall furnish a Performance Bond and a Payment Bond each in the amount of 100% of the bid. All non-resident requirements shall be met.

The City of Diamondhead, Mississippi, reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any informality in the bidding. Bids may be held by the City of Diamondhead, Mississippi, for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days from the date of the opening of bids for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the qualifications of Bidders, prior to awarding of the contract.

The project is funded by ARPA and the requirements for this grant including the procurement

process shall be followed including opportunity for participation by minority and women-owned business enterprises in the procurement of goods and services.

For all further requirements regarding bid submittal, qualifications, procedures, and contract award, refer to the Instructions to Bidders that are included in the Bidding Documents.

This Advertisement is issued by:

Owner: City of Diamondhead
By: Jeannie Klein
Title: City Clerk
Date: 12/28/2023 & 1/4/2024

SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEES NOTICE OF SALE

WHEREAS, on March 25, 2022, L & F Homes and Development, LLC executed a Deed of Trust to Michael A. King, Trustee for the benefit of Trustmark National Bank, which is recorded in Book 2022 at Page 9641 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, Underwood Law Firm PLLC has been substituted as Trustee under the Deed of Trust; and

WHEREAS, default has been made in the terms and conditions of the Deed of Trust and the entire debt secured thereby has been declared due and payable in accordance with the terms of the Deed of Trust, and the legal holder of the indebtedness secured thereby, Trustmark National Bank, has requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee to execute the trust and sell the property in accordance with the terms of the Deed of Trust for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder together with attorneys fees, Substituted Trustees fees, and expense of sale.

NOW, THEREFORE, Underwood Law Firm PLLC, as Substituted Trustee under the Deed of Trust, will on January 4, 2024, offer for sale at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash within legal hours (between 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.) at the front door of the Hancock County Courthouse in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, the following described property together with all improvements thereon situated in Hancock County, Mississippi:

Lot Twenty (20), Beaux Vue Subdivision, Phase 2, a subdivision according to the official map or plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of the Hancock County, Mississippi, in Plat Book B at Slide 249, reference to which is hereby made in aid of and as a part of this description.

UNDERWOOD LAW FIRM PLLC will convey only such title as is vested in it as Substituted Trustee.

WITNESS OUR SIGNATURE, this the 1st day of December, 2023.

/s/ Andrew R. Wilson

Andrew R. Wilson (Miss. Bar #102862)
UNDERWOOD LAW FIRM PLLC
P.O. Box 1874
Madison, MS 39130
Phone: (601) 981-7773
File No. 23110454
PUBLISH: Sea Coast Echo (12/07/2023, 12/14/2023, 12/21/2023, 12/28/2023)

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

LAC REAL ESTATE HOLDINGS, LLC, PLAINTIFF VERSUS

ROBERT HOLMES (IF LIVING, AND IF DECEASED, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF ROBERT HOLMES), DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF HANCOCK COUNTY AND OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT, ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI AND ALL PERSONS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THE COMPLAINT, DEFENDANTS

CIVIL ACTION NO. 23CH1:23-cv-534 MA

West ½ of Lot 304, Third Ward, Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per plat of said subdivision of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: Robert Holmes, if living and if deceased, the Unknown Heirs of Robert Holmes, and any other individuals, partnerships, and/or other legal entities having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in and to certain real property interests described hereinabove and in the Complaint

You have been made Defendants in the Complaint to Confirm and Quiet Title filed in this Court by LAC Real Estate Holdings, LLC, Plaintiff, seeking to have the Court adjudicate that the title to the real estate described herein is confirmed and quieted in Plaintiff.

You are required to mail or hand deliver a written response to the Complaint filed against you in this action to Joseph C. Stewart, Williams, Smith, Stockstill & Stewart, PLLC, Attorney for Plaintiff, whose post office address is P. O. Drawer 1076, Picayune, Mississippi

39466 and whose street address is 105 North Main Street, Picayune, Mississippi 39466.

YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE 14TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2023, WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT.

You must also file the original of your Response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward.

ISSUED under my hand and seal of said Court, this 2nd day of November, 2023.

Timothy A. Kellar, Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi

By: Bridgette Lander, D. C.

Publish: December 14, 21 and 28, 2023

SPECIAL COMMISSIONERS NOTICE OF SALE

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI COUNTY OF Hancock

WHEREAS, on the 12th day of April, 2001, Lester M. Huber, Jr., husband and Deborah A. Huber, wife, executed and delivered a certain Deed of Trust unto W. Stewart Robison, Trustee for Jim Walter Homes, Inc., Beneficiary, to secure an indebtedness therein described, which Deed of Trust is recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi in Book 631 at Page 474; and

WHEREAS, by various assignments on record said Deed of Trust was ultimately assigned to U.S. Bank, N.A., as Trustee, successor in interest to Wachovia Bank, National Association, as Trustee, successor by merger to First Union National Bank as Trustee, for Mid-State Trust X by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Deed of Trust Book 2023 at Page 23853; and

WHEREAS by Order granting Default Judgment and Final Judgment on the Pleadings, in the matter of U.S. Bank, N.A., as Trustee, successor in interest to Wachovia Bank, National Association, as Trustee, successor by merger to First Union National Bank as Trustee, for Mid-State Trust X v. Anthony T. Alier, et al., Cause #23-CV-24 in the Chancery Court of Hancock County, rendered on the 30th day of October 2023. Said Judgment grants a declaratory judgment and recognizes U.S. Bank, N.A., as Trustee, successor in interest to Wachovia Bank, National Association, as Trustee, successor by merger to First Union National Bank as Trustee, for Mid-State Trust X as holder of the Deed of Trust and that it has a valid, perfected, and enforceable first priority lien on the Subject Property. The Order further authorizes judicial foreclosure of the subject Deed of Trust recorded in Book BB 631 at Page 474, and appoints Dean Morris, LLC, Special Commissioner for purposes of conducting the Judicial Foreclosure Sale. Said Order appearing in the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi's land records in in Deed Book 2023 at Page 17157 on November 20, 2023; and

WHEREAS, default having been made in the payments of the indebtedness secured by the said Deed of Trust, and the holder of said Deed of Trust, having requested the undersigned so to do, on the 4th day of January, 2024, I will during the lawful hours of between 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., at public outcry, offer for sale and will sell, at the front door of the Hancock County courthouse L, 152 Main Street, Suite A at the north facing front door at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, for cash to the highest bidder, the following described land and property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit:

Lots 13 and 14, Square 729, Shoreline Park Subdivision, Unit 11, in Hancock County, Mississippi, as per the official map or plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

I will only convey such title as is vested in me as Special Commissioner.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this 4th day of December, 2023.

Dean Morris, LLC
Special Commissioner
855 S Pear Orchard Rd, Ste. 404 Bldg 400
Ridgeland, MS 39157
(318) 330-9020

adp/F22-0275

PUBLISH: 12-14-2023 / 12-21-2023 / 12-28-2023

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN RE: ESTATE OF THOMAS MICHAEL COLLINS, DECEASED CAUSE NO. 23CH1:23-cv-611-MA

EXECUTRIXS NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF THOMAS MICHAEL COLLINS

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 13th day of December, 2023, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the estate of Thomas Michael Collins, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for Probate and registered according to law within 90 days from the first date of publication of this notice, or they will be forever barred.

This 13th day of December, A.D., 2023.

s/ JESSICA L. BIDDLE, EXECUTRIX

Caroline E. Haas, MS Bar No. 104525
Haas and Haas Attorneys
201 N. Second Street
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
T: (228) 467-6574
F: (228) 467-6575

Publish Dates: 12/21/2023; 12/28/2023; 1/4/2024

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

WHEREAS, on the June 21, 2018, Paul C Houston, III and Beth A Houston, executed a Deed of Trust to Brad D. Wilkinson, Esq., Trustee for the use and benefit of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as beneficiary, as nominee for CIS Financial Services, Inc. dba CIS Home Loans, its successors and assigns, which Deed of Trust is on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, in Deed of Trust June 27, 2018, in Book No. 2018, at Page 13217 thereof; which was modified on April 19, 2022, in Book No. 2022, at Page 12017

WHEREAS, said Deed of Trust was ultimately assigned to AL- LIED FIRST BANK, SB DBA SERVBANK by assignment on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, in October 26, 2023, in Book No. 2023, at Page 23251 thereof; and

WHEREAS, the legal holder of the said Deed of Trust and the note secured thereby, substituted Wilson & Associates, PLLC, as Trustee therein, as authorized by the terms thereof, by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in November 13, 2023, in Book No. 2023, at Page 24450 thereof; and

WHEREAS, default having been made in the performance of the conditions and stipulations as set forth by said Deed of Trust, and having been requested by the legal holder of the indebtedness secured and described by said Deed of Trust so to do, notice is hereby given that Wilson & Associates, PLLC f/k/a Adams & Edens, P.A., Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the authority conferred upon me in said Deed of Trust, will offer for sale and will sell at public sale and outcry to the highest and best bidder for certified funds paid at the conclusion of the sale, or credit bid from a bank or other lending entity pre-approved by the successor trustee, during the legal hours (between the hours of 11 o'clock a.m. and 4 o'clock p.m.) at the front door of the Courthouse, on January 3, 2024, the following described land and property being the same land and property described in said Deed of Trust, situated in Hancock County, State of Mississippi, to-wit:

COMMENCING AT AN IRON ROD AT THE NE CORNER OF THE SW 1/4 OF THE NE 1/4 OF SEC. 25, T5S, R14W, HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI. THENCE: S0°09'20"E FOR 446.61 FEET TO AN IRON ROD, THE POINT OF BEGINNING. THENCE: S0°09'20"E FOR 893.83 FEET TO AN IRON PIPE THENCE: N20° 13'14"E FOR 952.64 FEET TO AN IRON ROD THENCE: S89° 58'55"W FOR 331.70 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SAID PARCEL CONTAINS 3.4 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.

Title to the above described property is believed to be good, but I will convey only such title as is vested in the aforementioned Substitute Trustee.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this the 28th day of November, 2023.

Sincerely,

/s/ Jillian Wilson,

WILSON & ASSOCIATES, PLLC, Substitute Trustee

PREPARED BY:
Wilson & Associates, PLLC
400 West Capitol Avenue
Suite 1400
Little Rock, AR 72201
(501)219-9388
File # 357455

PUBLICATION TO BEGIN ON: December 7, 2023
PUBLICATION TO END ON: December 28, 2023

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN RE: ESTATE OF RICHARD CHARLES WILLIS, DECEASED CAUSE NO. 23CH1:23-cv-585-JP

CO-EXECUTORS' NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF JUDY SPARKMAN TRAVIRCA

Letters Testamentary having

been granted on the 7th day of December, 2023, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the estate of Richard Charles Willis, deceased, Notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for Probate and registered according to law within 90 days from the first date of publication of this notice, or they will be forever barred.

This 15th day of December, A.D., 2023.

s/ WANDA SUE KINSLEY, CO-EXECUTOR

s/ BRUCE EDWIN WILLIS, CO-EXECUTOR

Caroline E. Haas, MS Bar No. 104525
Haas and Haas Attomeys
201 N. Second Street
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
T: (228) 467-6574
F: (228) 467-6575

Publish Dates: 12/21/2023; 12/28/2023; 1/4/2024

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

DEAN MORRIS, LLC, IN ITS CAPACITY AS SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE PLAINTIFF

VS. CAUSE NO.:23-386

ROBERT LEE JOHNSON AND NELDA JOHNSON DEFENDANTS

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: Defendant Robert Lee Johnson whose last known address was 4228 Road 264, Picayune, MS 39466, and whose current post office address and street address are unknown to the Plaintiff after diligent search and inquiry to ascertain same.

The Complaint against you, which is on file at the Chancery Clerks office of Hancock County, Mississippi, in the above numbered cause, is important and you must take immediate action to protect your rights.

You are required to mail or hand deliver a written response to the Complaint filed against you in this action to Kimberly D. Putnam, Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 855 S Pear Orchard, Ste 404, Bldg 400, Ridgeland, MS 39157.

YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE 13TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2023 WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT.

You must also file the original of your Response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward.

Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 1st day of December 2023.

TIMOTHY A. KELLAR
HANCOCK COUNTY CLERK
152 MAIN ST., SETE A
BAY ST. LOUIS, MS 39520

(SEAL)

BY: Ashley Holland, D.C.

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

STEPHEN MUNN PLAINTIFF VERSUS CAUSE NO. 23-617

DIAMONDHEAD COUNTRY CLUB AND PROPERTY
PROPERTY OWNER'S ASSOCIATION, INC.; MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE; STATE OF MISSISSIPPI; ALL OTHER PERSONS, FIRMS AND CORPORATIONS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN THE DESCRIBED LAND LOCATED IN HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, WHICH MATURED TO THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI FOR 2014 HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI AD VALOREM TAXES VIZ: 30 BLK 6 DIAMONDHEAD PH2 UN 11 PARCEL NO.: 068J-1-41-240.000 HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI DEFENDANTS

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: DIAMONDHEAD COUNTRY CLUB AND PROPERTY
PROPERTY OWNER'S ASSOCIATION, INC.; MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE; STATE OF MISSISSIPPI; ALL OTHER PERSONS, FIRMS AND CORPORATIONS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN THE DESCRIBED LAND LOCATED IN HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, WHICH MATURED TO THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI FOR 2014 HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI AD VALOREM TAXES VIZ: 30 BLK 6 DIAMONDHEAD PH2 UN 11 PARCEL NO.: 068J-1-41-240.000 HANCOCK

COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
DEFENDANTS

NOTICE

This is a suit by Stephen Munn to Quiet and Confirm Forfeited Tax Land Patent and for Other Relief as to that certain property legally described as:

30 BLK 6 DIAMONDHEAD PH2 UN 11
Parcel No.: 068J-1-41-240.000
Hancock County, Mississippi

Stephen Munn, obtained his interest in the subject property by virtue of that STATE OF MISSISSIPPI FORFEITED TAX LAND PATENT NO. 92540 dated June 1, 2021, and recorded on June 24, 2021, in Deed Book 2021 at Page 10115 in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

If you have a legal or equitable claim or interest in this real property and/or any personal property contained therein, you are required to mail or hand-deliver a copy of your response to the Complaint to Quiet and Confirm Title and For Other Relief to the attorney for Plaintiff, Negrotto & Associates, PLLC, c/o Lewie G. Skip Negrotto, IV, the attorney for Plaintiff, whose post office address is 300 Davis Avenue, Ste. 101-A, Pass Christian, MS 39571. YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED WITHIN THIRTY DAYS FROM THE 21st day of December 2023 WHICH IS THE DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF DEMAND-ED IN THE COMPLAINT.

You must also file the original of your Response with the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi within a reasonable time afterward at 152 Main Street, Suite A, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520.

Tim Kellar, Chancery Clerk
Hancock County, Mississippi

ISSUE DATE: 12/14/2023

BY: BRIDGETTE LADNER
DEPUTY COURT CLERK

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MIS-
SISSIPPI

STEPHEN MUNN
PLAINTIFF
VERSUS
CAUSE NO. ____23-616

DIAMONDHEAD COUNTRY CLUB AND PROPERTY OWNER'S ASSOCIATION, INC.; MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE; STATE OF MISSISSIPPI; ALL OTHER PERSONS, FIRMS AND CORPORATIONS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN THE DESCRIBED LAND LOCATED IN HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, WHICH MATURED TO THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI FOR 2014 HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI AD VALOREM TAXES VIZ: 29 BLK 6 DIAMONDHEAD PH2 UN 11 PARCEL NO.: 068J-1-41-239.000 HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI DEFENDANTS

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: DIAMONDHEAD COUNTRY CLUB AND PROPERTY OWNER'S ASSOCIATION, INC.; MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE; STATE OF MISSISSIPPI; ALL OTHER PERSONS, FIRMS AND CORPORATIONS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN THE DESCRIBED LAND LOCATED IN HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, WHICH MATURED TO THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI FOR 2014 HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI AD VALOREM TAXES VIZ: 29 BLK 6 DIAMONDHEAD PH2 UN 11 PARCEL NO.: 068J-1-41-239.000 HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI DEFENDANTS

NOTICE

This is a suit by Stephen Munn to Quiet and Confirm Forfeited Tax Land Patent and for Other Relief as to that certain property legally described as:

29 BLK 6 DIAMONDHEAD PH2 UN 11
Parcel No.: 068J-1-41-239.000
Hancock County, Mississippi

Stephen Munn, obtained his interest in the subject property by virtue of that STATE OF MISSISSIPPI FORFEITED TAX LAND PATENT NO. 92633 dated June 1, 2021, and recorded on June 21, 2021, in Deed Book 2021 at Page 9878 in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

If you have a legal or equitable claim or interest in this real property and/or any personal property contained therein, you are required to mail or hand-deliver a copy of your response to the Complaint to Quiet and Confirm Title and For Other Relief to the attorney for Plaintiff, Negrotto & Associates, PLLC, c/o Lewie G. Skip Negrotto, IV, the attorney for Plaintiff, whose post office address is 300 Davis Avenue, Ste. 101-A, Pass Christian, MS 39571. YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE

MAILED OR DELIVERED WITHIN THIRTY DAYS FROM THE 21ST day of December 2023 WHICH IS THE DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF DEMAND-ED IN THE COMPLAINT.

You must also file the original of your Response with the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi within a reasonable time afterward at 152 Main Street, Suite A, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520.

Tim Kellar, Chancery Clerk
Hancock County, Mississippi

ISSUE DATE: 12/14/2023

BY: BRIDGETTE LADNER
DEPUTY COURT CLERK

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1/4/2024

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MIS-
SISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ES-
TATE OF CAUSE NO.:
23CH1:23-cv-00512-JP
THOMAS F. RAMSKI, DE-
CEASED

TIMOTHY E. RAMSKI, PETI-
TIONER

ADMINISTRATORS NOTICE
TO CREDITORS

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK

Letters of Administration having been granted on the 1st day of December, 2023, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of Thomas F. Ramski, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration according to law within ninety (90) days from this date, or they will be forever barred.

THIS 28th day of December, 2023.

s/TIMOTHY E. RAMSKI

PUBLISH: December 28, 2023,
January 4, 2024, January 11, 2024

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MIS-
SISSIPPI

TIMOTHY RAY LAWS PETI-
TIONER
VS.
CAUSE NO.:23-CV-618MA

ALL UNKNOWN STATUTORY WRONGFUL DEATH BENEFICIARIES OF RANDALL RAYBURN LAWS, DECEASED

SUMMONS

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK

TO: Any and All Persons Claiming to be a Wrongful Death Beneficiary of Randall Rayburn Laws, Deceased

You have been made a Defendant in the Petition filed in this Court by Timothy Ray Laws, seeking a determination of Any and All Wrongful Death Beneficiaries of Randall Rayburn Laws, Deceased. Defendant other than you in this action is Timothy Ray Laws, brother of the decedent. You are required to mail or hand-deliver a written response to the Petition filed in this action to Samuel F. Creasey, Esq., whose address is 4450 Old Canton Road, Suite 200, Jackson, Mississippi 39211. YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE 28th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2023, WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMAND-ED IN THE PETITION.

You must also file the original of your Response with the Clerk of Court.

Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this the ____ day of _____, 2023.

TIMOTHY A. KELLAR,
CHANCERY CLERK OF HAN-
COCK COUNTY

DEPUTY CLERK

PREPARED BY:
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*Publish three (3) times in the Sea Coast Echo on December 28, 2023, January 4, 2024 and January 11, 2024.

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEES NOTI-
TICE OF SALE

WHEREAS, on December 13, 2007, Wilma J. Zink and Lisa Everett executed a deed of trust for the benefit of CitiFinan-

cial Real Estate Services, Inc., which deed of trust was recorded on December 14, 2007, in Book 2007, Page 54100 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi; and Said Deed of Trust was last sold, assigned and transferred to U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as Indenture Trustee of CIM Trust 2023-NR1 by assignment recorded Book 2023, Page 23806 in the office of the Chancery Clerk, Hancock County, Mississippi. WHEREAS, the holder of the deed of trust at the time of the substitution substituted McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC as Trustee, as authorized by the terms thereof, by instrument recorded on November 30, 2023, and spread at large upon the records in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 2023, Page 25682, prior to the posting and publication of this notice; and WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of the deed of trust, and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of the deed of trust, and the legal holder of said indebtedness, U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as Indenture Trustee of CIM Trust 2023-NR1has requested the undersigned Substitute Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land, property and improvements in accordance with the terms of the deed of trust for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, together with attorney's fees, Substitute Trustees fees and expenses of sale;

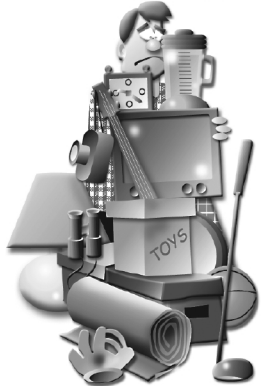
THEREFORE, on January 11, 2024, the undersigned Substitute Trustee in the deed of trust, will offer for sale at public outcry and sell to the highest bidder for cash, within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.) at the front door of the Hancock County Courthouse in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, the following described land, property and improvements lying and being situate in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit:

THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY SITUATED IN HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, TO-WIT: LOT 33, QUAIL RIDGE ESTATES, PHASE 1, HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, AS PER PLAT OR MAP THEREOF ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE CHANCERY CLERK OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI. INDEXING INSTRUCTIONS: LOT 33, QUAIL RIDGE ESTATES, PHASE 1, HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI. LESS AND EXCEPT ALL THAT PROPERTY CONVEYED TO LISA DAWN EVERETT BY WILMA J ZINK, BY DEED DATED 08/16/2004 AND RECORDED 08/16/2004, IN BOOK 290, PAGE 451. THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE TO WIT: LOT 32.

BEING THE SAME FEE SIMPLE PROPERTY CONVEYED BY WARRANTY DEED FROM E. E. EDWARDS TO ARTHUR W. ZINK AND WILMA J. ZINK HUSBAND AND WIFE, AS TENANTS BY ENTIRETY, DATED 07/16/2004 RECORDED ON 08/16/2004 IN BOOK BB290, PAGE 449 IN HANCOCK COUNTY RECORDS, STATE OF MS. THE SAID ARTHUR W. ZINK HAVING DEPARTED THIS LIFE ON OR ABOUT 07/10/2006, THEREBY VESTING FEE SIMPLE TITLE IN WILMA J. ZINK. I WILL CONVEY only such title as is vested in the Substitute Trustee. WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this the 12th day of December, 2023
/-s-/ Robert M. Peebles, III
McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC
Substitute Trustee
1022 Highland Colony Parkway, Suite 304
Ridgeland, MS 39157-2049
(662) 388-5464
Foreclosurehotline.net
File No.: 23-02072MS

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Classifieds

136 Automobile

NOTICE

OF ABANDONED VEHICLES

The following vehicles listed below will be sold starting Jan. 19, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. at the location below:

TOW BIZ LLC
10016 Hwy. 603
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
(228)-493-4210

2014 WHITE HONDA ACCORD

VIN # 1HGCR2F3XEA086226

12/28/2023

NOTICE

OF ABANDONED VEHICLES

The following vehicle will be sold on Friday, Jan. 19th, 2024 at 10:00am at the following location:

Dinkey's Auto Repair & Towing
4105 13th Street
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
(228)-305-0711

2022 HYUNDAI SANTA CRUZ

VIN# 5NTJBD4E9NH009789

1996 DODGE RAM 1500

VIN# 1B7HC16YXT5626242

2002 GMC SIERRA 1500

VIN# 2GTFK69UX21398189

12/28/2023, 01/04/2024

NOTICE

OF ABANDONED VEHICLES

The following vehicles listed below will be sold starting Jan. 05, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. at the location below:

TOW BIZ LLC
10016 Hwy. 603
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
(228)-493-4210

BLACK NISSAN ARMADA 2004

VIN# 5N1AA08A84N740592

BLUE FORD EXPLORER SPORT TRAC 2008

VIN # 1FMEU31E78UA20316

BLACK LEXUS 2002

VIN # JTGJF10U120135171

12/14, 12/21, 12/28/2023

NOTICE

OF ABANDONED VEHICLES

The following vehicles will be sold on Jan. 29, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. 30 days after the first publication:

Unlimited Towing & Collision Center LLC
16108 Rd 509, PO Box 716
Kiln, MS 39556
(228)-586-5465

2000 DODGE CARAVAN

VIN# 2B4GP25G3YR790565

2016 HYUNDAI ELANTRA

VIN# 5NPDH4AE3GH726881

2012 CHEVROLET TRAVERSE

VIN# 1GNKVGDJX2138228

12/28/2023, 01/04/2024

NOTICE

OF ABANDONED VEHICLES

The following vehicles listed below will be sold starting Jan. 20, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. at the location below:

MOSS TOWING
12130 Hwy. 603
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
(228)-467-5227

1991 CHEVROLET S10

VIN# 1GCCS14Z0M8105053

2003 HONDA CIVIC

VIN# 2HGFS16583H541646

2001 CHEVROLET BLAZER

VIN# 1GNC513W61K102350

2009 FORD FLEX

VIN# 2FMDK52C99BA18035

2004 CHEVROLET IMPALA

VIN# 2G1WF55K649327894

2004 INFINITI G35

VIN# JNKVC54EX4M817457

12/21, 12/28, 1/04/2024



JANUARY 12

• Holy Trinity Catholic School is hosting a Blue Mass at 1:15 p.m. All local law enforcement, fire fighters, and paramedics are welcome to attend a special mass with a brief reception to follow in the HTCS cafeteria.

JANUARY 19

• The Bay St. Louis Little Theatre will open its latest production "That Championship Season." The show is a reprisal and making a return on the BSLT stage because of community requests. The play is written by Jason Miller, who is best known as the young priest in the movie "The Exorcist." The story is about the annual custom of five men-a high school basketball coach, now retired, and four team members that he led to the state championship forty years earlier-meet for a reunion on the anniversary of the championship victory. None of the men's lives have turned out as they had hoped, and all still look to their coach for guidance. The play is recommended for mature audiences. Adults top-ics are contained in the play. The cast includes Chris Flynn, Paul Bernard, Willard Walker, Jan Vest, and Miguel Davalos. The play is directed by Cheryl Grace with assistant director Clayton Pennylegion. The production crew includes Allison Hess and James Perkin. The show dates and times are January 19, 20, 26, and 27 at 8 p.m. Sunday matinees are 2 p.m. on January 21 and 28. Theatre doors open one hour before the show and seating starts 30 minutes before the show. The theatre is open seating. All attendees should make reservations. Please let the theatre know if handicap accommodations are required. Reservations can be made online at www.bsllt.org or by calling 228-467-9024.

• The Waveland Civic Association's 60th annual St. Patrick's Day parade begins at 1 p.m. Parade will line up at Whispering Pines, go down the beach to Nicholson Avenue, up Nicholson onto Central, Central to Coleman, Coleman to the beach, beach to Waveland Avenue where the parade will end at Elwood Bourgeois Park. Jeeps, golf carts, floats, marching groups are welcome. Pricing and registration at wavelandcivicassociation.com.

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-TEAMS IN HARDWOOD HOLIDAY TOURNAMENTS-

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
STAFF WRITER

The area basketball teams are enjoying the Christmas holiday break and playing in holiday tournaments until the return to school when they resume division play, in earnest. The sport enters the second half of the season when the New Year begins which is a heavy dose of division action in preparation of the respective division tournaments which are set to begin the second week of February.



BAY HIGH TIGERS

The Bay High Tigers hosted the Pascagoula Panthers on Tuesday, December 19. The Tigers split a pair of varsity games with the Lady Tigers picking up a 30-24 victory after surging in the fourth period. Pascagoula held a slim 16-14 lead at intermission.

Bay High head coach Kelton Thompson commented, "I thought we played lethargic for the majority of the game. We gave up some easy baskets early, but I was proud of the effort in the second half. Kayla Fricke had a solid game

in the second half, and I was proud of what she showed. We have to play with more of an edge in the second half of the season to reveal what we can be."

Kayla Fricke led the Lady Tigers (11-5, 1-0) with 13 points followed by Nakeria Coleman with 6 points. Massyah Thomas led Pascagoula with 9 points.

The Tigers struggled against Pascagoula early and fell behind 29-14 at halftime before dropping the game to the Panthers 75-19.

Thompson stated, "We were poorly coached to-

night. We are struggling to get them to do what we need them to do. We have to find some consistency in the basics before we can progress."

Jaylen Antoine led Bay High (3-12, 1-0) with 6 points while Darian McMulliam and Kelan Rush paced Pascagoula with 13 and 10 points, respectively.

The Tigers swept a pair of games at Bowling Green, Louisiana, on Thursday. The Lady Tigers won 43-29 while the Tigers picked up a 26-23 victory.

The Tigers are hosting the Bay High Christmas

Tournament today and tomorrow.

HANCOCK HAWKS

The Hancock Hawks did not play any games last week on the hardwood. Both teams are playing in the Biloxi Christmas Tournament today and tomorrow.

The Hawks are currently 6-9 overall and 1-3 in division play while the Lady Hawks remain undefeated at 13-0 overall and 3-0 in division play.

OUR LADY ACADEMY CRESCENTS

The Crescents dropped

a game with Stone on Thursday 61-23 to fall to 1-11 overall and 0-1 in division. The Crescents return to action next week after the New Year.

SAINT STANISLAUS ROCK-A-CHAWS

The Rocks (9-8, 1-0) played in the Archbishop Rummel Christmas Tournament and dropped three consecutive games in New Orleans. The Rocks return to action tomorrow with a home game against Sacred Heart at 3:30 p.m. in the Brother Peter Memorial Gymnasium.

BAY HIGH'S ZIRON BROWN NAMED UNDER ARMOUR ALL-AMERICAN, SIGNS WITH STANFORD

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
STAFF WRITER

Bay High offensive tackle Ziron Brown became the first Tiger All-American on the high school gridiron by Under Armour recently and was selected to play in the national All-Star game on January 3, at Camping World Stadium in Orlando.

Brown, a 6'4" 300-lb tackle who was recently named first team All-State for Class 4A by the Mississippi Association of Coaches, just returned from playing in the Mississippi/Alabama All-Star game in Hattiesburg. Brown is also the first Tiger selected as a MS/AL All-Star. In 2023, Brown graded out at 96% and tallied 37 pancake blocks.

Brown commented, "To be named an All-American is a tremendous honor. Since I started playing, the opportunity to earn that designation has been in the back of my mind. Now, to finally be called that is a little over-



PHOTO BY JEREMY TURCOTTE

Above: Ziron Brown and his mother, Chiquita Simmons (left), at his signing with Stanford University on December 20.

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Below: Under Armour All-American offensive lineman Ziron Brown (#65) moves down the line for a block during a game in 2023. Brown will play for Team Fire on January 3

whelming. I am looking forward to reporting for practice and suiting up with the best players in the nation so that I can show that I belong."

In addition to his All-American honor, Brown has been a four-year letter winner for the Tigers along with being named All-Region 8-4A three years. At Bay High school, he has also been on the honor roll each semester along with participating in the Campus Leadership Program along with the powerlifting and track and field teams.

Bay High head coach Jeremy Turcotte stated, "Ziron has been the hardest worker in the program since he walked through the doors at the field house for the first time. But his hard work does not quit with football. Ziron is equally a hard worker in the classroom taking AP classes and competing in the classroom. He will be successful wherever he goes and whatever he takes on. We are so very

proud of what he has accomplished both on and off the field."

Brown's hard work in the classroom may be the most rewarding opportunity for him as he signed a National Letter of Intent to play football for Stanford University. He chose Stanford out of 17 Division I offers including Cincinnati, Georgia Tech, Houston, Memphis, Missouri, Southern Mississippi, Troy, Tulane, Alabama-Birmingham, Louisiana-Lafayette, Western Kentucky, and others.

Brown added, "I had the choice between some outstanding schools and programs. In the end, I chose Stanford because I want the challenge of not just being a student-athlete but the opportunity to obtain a top-quality education. I am eager to meet the challenges ahead of me not just on the football field but also in the classroom."

Brown stated that his anticipated field of study at Stanford is economics. Brown is not the first

Tiger to head to Stanford as Tank Williams played for Stanford from 1998-2001 and was drafted in the second round by the Tennessee Titans in the 2002 NFL Draft after becoming a first team All-American.

Brown is expected to continue playing on the offensive line at Stanford. He reports to Orlando on December 29, for the Under Armour All-Star game where he will play for Team Fire. The game will be broadcast by ESPN on January 3.



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SCHEDULE

THURSDAY 12-28-23

- **Basketball:** Bay High Christmas Tournament, Bay High (boys) vs Long Beach, 10:30 a.m.
- **Basketball:** Bay High Christmas Tournament, Bay High (girls) vs Gautier, 12 p.m.
- **Basketball:** Bay High Christmas Tournament, Petal (boys) vs Gautier, 1:30 p.m.
- **Basketball:** Bay High Christmas Tournament, Pass Christian (girls) vs Petal, 3 p.m.
- **Basketball:** Bay High Christmas Tournament, Wayne County (boys) vs St. Patrick, 4:30 p.m.
- **Basketball:** Biloxi Christmas Tournament, Hancock boys and girls, TBD.

FRIDAY 12-29-30

- **Basketball:** Bay High Christmas Tournament, Bay High (girls) vs Petal, 10:30 a.m.
- **Basketball:** Bay High Christmas Tournament, Bay High (boys) vs Gautier, 12 p.m.
- **Basketball:** Bay High Christmas Tournament, St. Patrick (girls) vs Pass Christian, 1:30 p.m.

Continued:

- **Basketball:** Bay High Christmas Tournament, St. Patrick (boys) vs Petal, 3 p.m.
- **Basketball:** Bay High Christmas Tournament, Long Beach (boys) vs Wayne County, 4:30 p.m.
- **Basketball:** Biloxi Christmas Tournament, Hancock boys and girls, TBD.
- **Basketball:** Saint Stanislaus vs Sacred Heart, 3:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, 1-2-24

- **Basketball:** Hancock vs Gulfport, 6 p.m./7:30 p.m.
- **Basketball:** OLA at Perry Central, 6 p.m.
- **Basketball:** Saint Stanislaus at Perry Central, 7:30 p.m.
- **Soccer:** Hancock vs Gautier, 5:30 p.m./7 p.m.
- **Soccer:** OLA at Gulfport, 5:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, 1-3-24

- **Basketball:** Bay High vs Pass Christian, 6 p.m./7:30 p.m.
- **Soccer:** Bay High vs Pascagoula, 5:30 p.m./7 p.m.

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JACOB BRADFORD CONTINUES FAMILY FOOTBALL TRADITION, SIGNS WITH LOUISIANA TECH

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
STAFF WRITER

Saint Stanislaus defensive tackle Jacob Bradford continued a family football tradition and signed to play college football on Wednesday, December 20, when he inked a National Letter of Intent to play for Louisiana Tech.

He commented, “There were several schools that showed tremendous interest in me; however, I felt that Louisiana Tech and the city of Ruston was the best place for me to develop on the



PHOTO COURTESY OF SAINT STANISLAUS

Jacob Bradford (seated, center) signs with Louisiana Tech on Wednesday, December 20. He is joined by his parents Yara and Jordan Bradford ‘85 (seated) and (standing left to right) athletic director Stace McRaney, assistant coach Seth Rugg, head football coach Tim Lala, offensive coordinator Tate Thigpen, and assistant coach Mark Logan ‘86.



PHOTO COURTESY OF SAINT STANISLAUS

Joseph Bradford signs with Nicholls State University - Joseph Bradford, a 2022 graduate of Saint Stanislaus, recently signed to play football for Nicholls State University after having played interior offensive line for Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College the last two seasons. Bradford, 6’1” 290-lbs, was a Class 3A All-State center for the Rocks and played center and guard for the Bulldogs. Bradford stated, “Starting my career at MGCCC was perfect for me. It gave me an opportunity to get acquainted with the skill level of the game and also to get accustomed to a college classroom. Moving forward at Nicholls State, I will need to become more consistent in all phases of blocking schemes and assignments.” Joseph Bradford may get the opportunity to line up against his younger brother, Jacob, who recently signed with Louisiana Tech as the two university teams will meet on the gridiron to open the 2024 season. Joseph (seated, center) is joined by his parents, Yara and Jordan Bradford ‘85 (seated), and (standing left to right) athletic director Stace McRaney, head football coach Tim Lala, assistant coach Seth Rugg, offensive coordinator Tate Thigpen, and assistant coach Mark Logan ‘86.

–TERRON BEDFORD– SIGNS WITH SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI



PHOTO BY JEREMY TURCOTTE

Terron Bedford, A 2022 Bay High graduate, recently signed to play football for the University of Southern Mississippi after playing the last two seasons at Jones College. Bedford, a 6’4” 265-lb tight end, becomes the second Bay High Tiger to sign to play Division I football over the holiday break joining Ziron Brown who recently signed with Stanford. Bedford will transfer to Southern Mississippi in January and will be on campus for spring training to compete for time at tight end for the Golden Eagles. While at Bay High, Bedford was also a state finalist in track and field in the shot put and discus.

football field and obtain my college degree. I am familiar with the school itself as I had the opportunity to watch my older brother play there. Ruston is a quiet small town very similar to Bay St. Louis with not a lot of outside distractions.”

Jacob, a 6’2” 280-lb defensive tackle, was recently named first team All-State for Class 3A by the Mississippi Association of Coaches. It was his third time being selected to the prestigious team. In addition to that honor, he has also been named All-Region 8-3A three years while being named Most Valuable Defensive Player this year. In addition to playing football, he has been a member of the track and field team, powerlifting, and honor roll while at Saint Stanislaus. In 2023, Jacob recorded 101 tackles on the season along with 7.5 sacks. He is the all-time sacks leader in SSC program history. Jacob is expected to continue to play interior defensive line for Louisiana Tech.

Jacob chose Louisiana Tech over offers from Colorado, Yale, Navy, Army, Jacksonville State, Nicholls State, Southeastern Louisiana, and Mercer.

The Bradford family has long been exceptional on the gridiron beginning with elder Jordan Bradford who graduated from Saint Stanislaus in 1985 and was an All-American at Pearl River Community College and later played at Delta State University. His son, Jordan Bradford, was an All-State selection at Saint Stanislaus before signing and playing with Louisiana Tech. Joseph Bradford followed his older brother into the collegiate ranks after an All-State career at SSC. He played the last two seasons on the offensive line at Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College and recently signed to play for Nicholls State University.

Jacob added, “I am honored to know that I am living up to the expectations that my family has set for me not just on the football field but also in the classroom. I want to be the best of them all and I thank them for challenging me each and every day.”

SSC head coach Tim Lala commented on Jacob, “I had the opportunity to coach both Jacob

and Jordan during my time here. Jordan was a big reason for my coming back to Saint Stanislaus. Jacob is a tremendous young man who has worked hard and put himself in a position to be successful. I consider it a very special honor to be a part of his senior year and witness him achieve what he has.”

In addition to Jacob suiting up for Louisiana Tech and older brother, Joe, signing with Nicholls State, something very unique for the area may take place on the first weekend of college football in 2024. Nicholls State and Louisiana Tech will meet on the gridiron to open the season and the area may see the two brothers square off against each other in the trenches.

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PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

Anthony Robinson
BAY HIGH

BASKETBALL
PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

The boys' Basketball Player of the Week is Bay High's Anthony Robinson. In a victory over Bowling Green, Louisiana, and a loss to Pascagoula, Robinson averaged 10.5 points and 5 rebounds.

Kayla Fricke
BAY HIGH

The girls' Basketball Player of the Week is Bay High's Kayla Fricke. Last week in two wins against Bowling Green, Louisiana, and Pascagoula, Fricke averaged 12.5 points and 6.5 rebounds.

Abe Doxey
ST. STANISLAUS

SOCCER
PLAYER OF THE WEEK

The boys' Soccer Player of the Week is Saint Stanislaus' Abe Doxey. Last week in a victory over Biloxi, Doxey tallied a hat trick and an assist.

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Soccer Teams on Break Before Final Division Push to Start the New Year

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
STAFF WRITER

The high school soccer teams are enjoying the holiday break until they return to action for a final division push following the start of the New Year. The regular season for high school soccer will end in late January with the postseason to begin in earnest. The state soccer championships will be held in early February.

BAY HIGH TIGERS
The Bay High Tigers

did not play any games last week. The Tigers are currently 11-0-1 overall and 5-0 in division play. The Lady Tigers dropped a game with D'Iberville last week 2-1 to fall to 5-7-1 overall and 3-2 in division play.

HANCOCK HAWKS
The Hawks dropped a game with D'Iberville 3-2 last week and picked up a 2-0 victory over Petal to move their record to 6-6-2 overall and 2-2 in division play. The Lady Hawks fell to D'Iberville 5-0 and to

Petal 6-0 last week falling to 3-10-1 overall and 1-3 in division.

OUR LADY ACADEMY CRESCENTS

The Crescents did not play any games last week. They are currently 4-3 overall and 2-1 in division.

SAINT STANISLAUS ROCK-A-CHAWS

The Rocks beat Hammond last week, but a score was not available.

On Wednesday, the Rocks beat Biloxi 5-0.

The Rocks jumped out to a 3-0 at halftime over the Indians. Abe Doxey scored the first and third goal of the half. Oren Doxey assisted his brother on the first goal.

Oren Doxey scored the second goal of the game on an assist from Gabe Franco.

Abe Doxey tallied his hat trick with a goal in the second half with 23:55 left to play off an assist from Oren Doxey. Adam Oliver rounded

out the scoring on an unassisted goal with 8:50 left to play to make the final tally 5-0.

SSC head coach Zach Villarubia commented, "We are playing high ability soccer at the right time. We schedule up before the holiday break so that we can be prepared when we return to the field for the final push in division play. This was the sixth shutout in a row for our defense which is playing solid soccer right now. We are healthy heading into the

break and are looking forward to getting back on the field after the New Year to complete our division schedule and get into the playoffs."

The Rocks are currently 10-3 overall and 6-0 in division.

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